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Ten Cents a Cup—Coffee Monopolies Plan New Rise

Army Brawn Is Aim of Gov't Food Parley

Nutrition Conference Told Strength Needed to Work Overtime

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)
WASHINGTON, May 27.—Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard illuminated the real purpose behind the National Nutrition Conference for Defense when he said today that the administration's interest in nutrition is to make people "harder" and "better able to work overtime."

"Better nutrition does not mean soft living," Wickard told the delegates. "It means becoming harder, more efficient, better able to work overtime whenever it is necessary, better able to do without luxuries when we have to." This theme of toughening up the American people so that they will be better prepared to make the sacrifices the government expects of them was sounded by administration spokesmen throughout the day's proceedings.

CANNON FODDER
It was evident from the speech of Brig. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, head of Selective Service, that one of the main reasons for calling the conference was the administration's alarm over the fact that 40 per cent of the draftees have been rejected as physically unfit for military service.

"It has been estimated that perhaps one-third of the men rejected was due either directly or indirectly to nutritional deficiencies," Hershey said.

In discussing what might be done to correct the situation, the Selective Service director proposed a Nazi-like emphasis on physical training in the nation's schools.

"I believe the most fundamental step must be a basic change in our

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Restaurant Society Head Tells of New Blow to N. Y. Consumers

By Art Shields

Coffee at ten cents a cup is coming with the war, said restaurant industry owners in New York this week.

Diners will probably soon be paying ten cents extra for the coffee and bread and butter that goes with a meal, said Paul Henkel, president of the Society of Restauranters.

He blames the higher prices he has to pay.

The Daily Worker has repeatedly pointed out that the 65 per cent rise in green coffee prices on the New York market would strike the ultimate consumer a heavy blow soon unless the public acted quickly.

OUTRAGEOUS GOUGE
This price increase was engineered by the big importing companies with the consent of President Roosevelt's Administration.

It is an outrageous gouge. Stocks of coffee in the United States are twice as large as last year, the Government reports. Prices should come down, not go up.

Ten cent coffee is a heavy blow. It will take a dollar and more a week out of the pay envelopes of hundreds of thousands of workingmen.

Most of that money will go into the profits of giant food companies connected with the Rockefeller, the Morgans, the Lehmans and other Wall Street interests.

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Hit War Dep't Drive on Hours in Canneries

CIO Opposes Effort to Suspend Provisions of Walsh-Healey Act

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)
WASHINGTON, May 27.—In a letter to Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson, the CIO today protested against a War Department attempt to get exemption from the Walsh-Healey Act for fruit and vegetable canners with Army contracts.

On the ground of an alleged labor shortage the War Department is pressing for exemption from the overtime provisions of the Walsh-Healey Act for the canning industry.

A similar attempt to get exemptions for the canners was made by the War Department some months ago, but was balked by vigorous labor protest.

The CIO letter to Stimson pointed out that the War Department move would lead to complete breaking down of working standards in the canning industry. The letter, which was sent by assistant CIO counsel Anthony Wayne Smith, said:

"The requested exemption from the overtime provisions of the Act could not be granted, in view of previous rulings by the Administrator, except as part of a complete exemption from all provisions of the Act."

"The result would be a breakdown of standards and a deprivation of statutory protection in regard to both hours and general conditions of employment throughout the industry, whose employees are already underpaid and overworked and live under intolerable conditions."

The requested exemption cannot

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BISMARCK SUNK, 1500 DIE

Nazis Send Planes Out to Battle British Ships Off Brest

[See editorial — "The Hood and the Bismarck" — on page 6.]

LONDON, May 27 (UP).—The 35,000-ton German battleship Bismarck, flagship and most powerful warship in the German navy, was battered into helplessness and sunk by the British Navy today after being spotted by an American-built Consolidated bomber.

The Royal Navy exacted vengeance on the victor over the battle cruiser Hood, sending the Bismarck and German Fleet Admiral Gunther Lütjens to death 72 hours and 2,000 miles after the 42,100-ton Hood had vanished early Saturday in the smoke and flame of an "unlucky hit" on its magazines off Greenland.

The Bismarck was crippled and then sent to the bottom of the Atlantic about 400 miles west of Brest, France—the German base she vainly sought to reach. Shells and aerial torpedoes did the job.

ANNOUNCED IN COMMONS
Prime Minister Winston Churchill announced the sinking to the House of Commons.

Churchill gave credit for the exploit to the American plane which found the fleeing Bismarck, saying that "yesterday shortly before midday a Catalina aircraft, one of a considerable number of those long-range scouting planes sent us by the United States, picked up the Bismarck and it was seen that she was heading for a French port, Brest or St. Nazaire. On this further rapid dispositions were made by the Admiralty."

Naval torpedo planes from the aircraft carrier Ark Royal—often sunk in German communications but still fighting—raced to the location given by the American plane and launched their deadly "fish."

PRINCE OF WALES CLOSES IN

Four of the huge torpedoes found their mark in the Bismarck, already damaged by shells of the Hood and two previous torpedo hits, further reducing her speed and damaging her steering gear.

Then Britain's new 35,000-ton Prince of Wales raced up and poured broadsides into the stricken Nazi vessel.

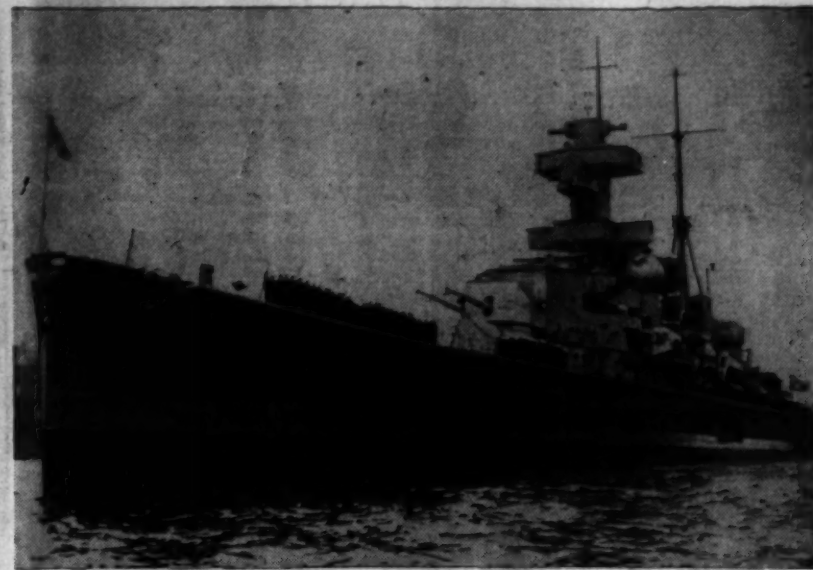
Still the heavily-armed Bismarck refused to go down. Torpedo planes came on for still another attack, administered the coup de grace and ended the career of the Nazi flagship.

GERMAN BOMBERS TAKE UP FIGHT IN ATLANTIC
BERLIN, May 27 (UP).—German bombers today took up the battle 400 miles off the coast of France in the North Atlantic where the newest and most powerful unit of the German navy, the 35,000-ton Bismarck, went down under the guns and torpedoes of a "superior" British force after "fighting to the last shell."

(The Bismarck was believed to have carried about 1,500 officers and men. It was not known how many of them survived the battle.)

BRITISH SEARCH FOR EUGEN
LONDON, May 27 (UP).—The Royal Navy, after sending the Nazi flagship Bismarck to the bottom of the sea, fanned out in search for the 10,000-ton cruiser Prinz Eugen, the Bismarck's escort.

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Marked as the Next Floating Grave: The 10,000-ton cruiser Prinz Eugen, of the type shown above, is now being sought by all units of the British North Atlantic fleet for destruction. In the past three days the world's greatest ships, the Hood and the Bismarck, have been sent to the bottom with all hands—about 2,000 men. The ships the British are destroying today, and which are destroying British vessels and men, were presented to Hitler by the British themselves in the Anglo-German naval agreement of 1935, which permitted the fascists to rebuild the shattered German navy.

British Admit Losing Ground in Crete

Commons Told Issue Hangs in Balance; Send More Men

LONDON, May 27 (UP).—British defenders in western Crete gave ground in vicious combat today as hordes of German reinforcements arriving by air widened a breakthrough in the sector between Maleme and Canea, official sources said.

Prime Minister Winston Churchill told the House of Commons that "the issue of magnificent resistance hangs in the balance."

Imperial reinforcements are pouring into Crete to bolster the resistance against the eight-day-old Nazi invasion. It was announced officially, and all Axis sea-borne landings were reported smashed by the Royal Navy with tremendous losses.

USE 3 DIVISIONS
It was believed probable that Germany already had thrown three divisions numbering 45,000 men into the struggle, in addition to hundreds of specialists landed by plane.

The Admiralty announced that the death struggle between the British fleet and German bombers had cost two British cruisers and four destroyers. But, it added, British naval strength in the Mediterranean is relatively greater today than before the battle of Crete began.

With their backs to Suda Bay, the British and Greek defenders strove to smash the invading army before it could begin to roll eastward along the northern shore of Crete.

Well informed quarters in Cairo reported that the Nazis had not yet captured Canea. It was said

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Ulster Draft Is Put Off

LONDON, May 27 (UP)

Prime Minister Winston Churchill announced in the House of Commons today that compulsory conscription will not be applied to Northern Ireland for the present.

FDR Asks 3 1/2 Billions More For War Planes

See Huge Air Expansion in New Request for Bigger Fund

WASHINGTON, May 27 (UP).—President Roosevelt today asked Congress for \$3,319,000,000 in new appropriations to provide more planes for the Army and Navy.

The request made in a letter to Speaker Sam Rayburn, Tex., asked for \$2,790,000,000 for planes for the Army and \$529,000,000 for naval planes.

The request reflected an imminent tremendous expansion of aircraft production scheduled, but gave no details as to number and type of planes to be produced.

It was understood the Army request included an item for several thousand heavy bombers.

Congressional leaders understood that the new army plane request might be included in the pending Army appropriation bill for the next fiscal year, beginning July 1. With the plane request, the measure will total about \$7,000,000,000.

The House Military Appropriations Subcommittee plans to report that measure next week.

The President's supplemental request for the Army was said to provide for more than 12,500 planes.

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AFL Machinist Head Defends Coast Strikers

Green Joins Senators in Attack on Coast Unions at Hearing

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 27.—Harvey Brown, president of the International Association of Machinists, told the Truman Committee investigating the defense program today that he "resents" the charge that machinists at West Coast shipyards have engaged in an "outlaw strike."

Brown declared that the strike had received the sanction of the National Council of the I. A. M. after A. F. of L. President William Green had made the "outlaw strike" charge against the West Coast machinists.

Green joined with members of the senate committee in denouncing the strike, and he also indicated opposition to union demands for higher wages.

"If you win a cent, you sometimes lose more," Green declared.

BLAMES BETHLEHEM
Brown placed the blame for the strike on Bethlehem Steel shipyards which are the largest yards involved in the West Coast strike.

He said that Bethlehem Steel has for 25 years refused to deal with the union.

He denied that the Local 63 of the I.A.M. had violated a stabilization agreement put over by Sidney Hillman, Associate Director of OPM and John P. Frey, head of the Metal Trades Department of

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Winant to Fly Here For Talk with FDR

LONDON, May 27 (UP).—American Ambassador John G. Winant will fly to the United States before the end of the week to discuss the war situation with President Roosevelt, it was learned tonight.

Ben Cohen, former Washington confidant of Mr. Roosevelt and now special counselor to the United States Embassy here, will accompany Winant.

Find Republic Steel Co. Guilty in NLRB Trial

WASHINGTON, May 27 (UP).—A National Labor Relations Board trial examiner today found Republic Steel Corp. guilty of unfair labor practices at its South Chicago, Ill., plants. He recommended reinstatement of 610 workers who took part in the 1937 "little steel" strike, with back pay to Oct. 11, 1937.

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Orders Wide Power For Civilian Regulation

Warns Labor and Peace Forces, Demands 'No Stoppages'

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Declaring that America's "Bunker Hill of tomorrow" may be thousands of miles away, President Roosevelt last night placed the country on a war footing in a proclamation of "unlimited national emergency" and all but told the nation's youth that they would have to fight on foreign shores.

Speaking from the White House over a world-wide radio hookup, the President's speech was replete with reference such as: "If you hold your fire until you see the whites of his eyes, you will never know what hit you."

He announced the proclamation in the course of a 45-minute fireside chat while leading diplomats of Canada and 20 other "Western Hemisphere" countries and a score of dignitaries gathered about him in the East Room of the White House.

"The United States is mustering its men and resources only to repel attack. . . . We must be realistic when we use the word 'attack'; relate it to the speed of modern warfare," he said.

"Some seem to think that we are not attacked until bombs drop on New York. They are shutting their eyes."

"The attack on Czechoslovakia began with the conquest of Austria. The attack on the Suez Canal began with the invasion of the Balkans and North Africa. The attack on the United States can begin with the domination of any base which menaces our security."

"Nobody can foretell tonight when the dictators will attack this hemisphere. But we know it would be suicide to wait until they are in our yard."

"When your enemy comes at you in a tank or a bombing plane, if you hold your fire until you see the whites of his eyes, you will never know what hit you. Our Bunker Hill of tomorrow may be several thousand miles from Boston."

PATROL BOTH OCEANS

Reverting to the cry of "freedom of the seas" under which America got into World War I, Roosevelt asserted that the country would patrol the waters of the Atlantic and Pacific as far as necessary to assist the British Empire.

All this, he insisted, was in the nation's "self-interest."

His speech made it clear that American naval vessels may soon be seeing action on the side of British imperialism as far north as the Antarctic. Roosevelt also revealed that he had consulted with London on his address.

'NO STOPPAGES'

Everything must be subordinated to the new tasks of armament production, convoys and a war economy, he said, adding significantly:

"When the nation is threatened from without, however . . . defense must not be interrupted by disputes between capital and capital, labor and labor, or capital and labor."

Declaring against "stoppages" by

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Only Anti-Imperialist Liberation Policy Can Save China, Says Communist

(Wireless to Intercontinental News)

CHUNGKING, May 27.—China may on occasion "benefit by undertaking joint operations" under the conditions of the present spreading imperialist war, says Chou En Lai, in a current article, but whether she does or not, she must always have her own independent policy in the war.

She must, he insisted, always adhere to the platform of the national war of liberation, and never join any bloc of imperialist warring countries.

Chou En Lai's article was carried, in place of the usual editorial, in the May 25 issue of the Chinese newspaper, Sin Hua Jih Pao.

"The present imperialist war," Chou En Lai writes, "has embraced a vast territory and tends to spread to new territories. The moment of decisive battle has not yet come and it is still unknown who will claim the victory. Already the unprecedented sacrifices and destruction weigh heavily on the shoulders of the peace-loving nations and oppressed peoples the

world over. Later these sacrifices will be still greater. Only the USSR stays firmly out of this imperialist war. Maintaining its policy of peace and neutrality, it is building socialism, manifesting its sympathies and rendering aid to the revolutionary movement and the struggle of peoples in other countries."

Dwelling on the policy of the imperialist war blocs, the author writes that Britain and the United States are striving first to defeat

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Italian Communists Demand End To War, Blast Nazi Occupation

Friendship With USSR Asked in Manifesto; Rap Army Losses

(Wireless to Intercontinent News)
STOCKHOLM, May 26.—Cancellation of the Italian military pact with Germany, a speedy ending of the war, and genuine friendship with the Soviet Union are called for in a powerful, six-page Manifesto issued by the Communist Party and Young Communist League of Italy, and made public here today.

The Manifesto calls also for dissolution of the fascist militia and restoration of the people's liberties. The Manifesto excoriates Italian fascism, which, it says, "has been waging a struggle against the people of Italy, against the workers and peasants. . . . It denounces the fascist regime for warring on the 'unarmed Ethiopian people,' for helping to 'stifle the strivings of the Spanish people for freedom,' for being the 'grave digger of the Italian youth.'"

"Fling out the culprits," the Manifesto says, "those who are responsible for this war and for the military defeat! Fling out the lackeys of German imperialism!"

The Manifesto in full is as follows:

"Hardly a year has passed since Italy was driven into the war. After serious military defeats which have cost—in killed, wounded, and prisoners of war—tens of hundreds of thousands of soldiers and Black Shirts, the land and the people have been economically exhausted, and humiliated and their vital interests betrayed. They are being driven ever further along the road to catastrophe.

"The Italian soldiers were led to defeat in Africa and Albania. The entire army was taken prisoner in Libya. The famed fascist empire in East Africa to conquer which over eighty billion lire were extorted from the people, has collapsed.

"To cover up its shameful bankruptcy and its responsibility Italian fascism called in the aid of a foreign power, bent the knee to German militarism and is handing over the country to German imperialism. The Italian people which shed so much noble blood to win its independence have been reduced to a vassal of Germany. German troops are already in Sicily. The country is swarming with German officials and spies who treat the Italian people with contempt, seize food supplies so as to send them to Germany while the Italian working people are forced onto starvation rations. Over 300,000 workers have been mobilized and sent to Germany while the workers at home have been compelled to toil a working day of ten hours and more.

"Germany's intervention on behalf of Italy's rulers has speeded up the fulfillment of the plans of conquest of German imperialism in the Balkans and transformed the Mediterranean into a scene of bitter struggle which is taking place on the threshold of our own country and whose very serious consequences will have to be borne by the Italian people. The successes of the German army bring in their train oppression of the Balkan peoples and plunder of the Balkan countries but do not bring nearer an end to the war. On the contrary! They provide German imperialism with new positions from which to continue the war.

CITES U. S. ACTIVITIES

"The imperialist robbers of both camps are becoming increasingly involved in bloody adventures. The United States is openly coming to the aid of Britain with its inexhaustible reserves. The war has been transformed into a world war which draws ever new countries into its orbit and threatens catastrophe. The continuation and extension of the war mean new calamities for Italy and are driving the Italian people toward catastrophe. Additional hundreds of thousands of people are being sent to slaughter. The Italian navy and merchant marine are on the highroad to destruction.

"Genoa has already been bombarded from the sea without a single shot having been fired in its defense. All of our towns, evidences of age-old culture, are devoid, however, of bomb shelters for the people who are in danger of being wiped out.

"Not a grain of wheat, not an ounce of iron or coal can be delivered to Italy by sea. Not a yard of textile fabrics, not a single orange, can be exported. Ahead of us lie profound economic crisis, hardship and hunger. Our land and its riches are in danger of being plundered to satisfy the robber aims of a foreign power.

"The Italian people must prevent this misfortune. The Italian people did not want this war and with every passing day are becoming increasingly convinced that this war is not in their interests. The Italian soldiers are not responsible for military defeats. The Italian people always fought heroically when they knew that they were fighting for their independence, for their freedom. Their sons are right in not wanting to fight today, since the cause for which they are being sent to their death is not the cause of our country.

"Nobody provoked our country. Nobody has attacked us. The big capi-



Ship Finds \$750,000 Amberggris—Maybe: Seamen of the Siboney with a piece of the three-ton putty-like mass picked up last week while en route from Lisbon to Jersey City. N. J. Captain Wenzel Habel believes the substance to be amberggris. If chemists agree with him, each member of the ship's crew will receive a big bonus.

talists, bankers, speculators and war contractors and adventurers who constitute the fascist leadership are the ones who desired the war in the hope of growing rich out of it, of increasing their profits through robbery and conquest, through brutal oppression of other peoples.

"The fascist leaders are the ones who drove Italy into the war in fulfillment of a military pact that binds them to German imperialism, whose slaves they are today. What interest have we, Italians, in seeing the German army conquer and plunder the whole of Europe? The only thing this conquest can mean for us is the loss of our economic and political independence, the transformation of Italy into a vassal state of foreign imperialism.

"We have no wish to return to the days of Franz Josef when the Germans played the part of rulers in our country and the Italians were considered an inferior race unfit to govern themselves. We have no desire to see the hatred of the Balkan peoples and of the other European peoples enslaved by German imperialism directed against the Italian people. We have no desire to be either servants of a foreign imperialism or jailors of other peoples.

"The war against England is not a war for freedom; it is not a war between proletarians and plutocracy as the fascist leaders assert. It is a war between imperialist robbers for world hegemony, for sharing out of colonies and the riches of the entire world.

HAIR BRITISH WORKERS

"The British people today are overwhelmingly people, workers, our class brothers, exploited in the factories by the capitalists just as are the Italian workers. Recently there gathered together in London representatives of hundreds of thousands of British workers who declared that they are fighting for the defeat of British imperialism and wish to end the war, with peace to be concluded by and in the interests of the peoples. Across the trenches and war fronts we must stretch out our hand of comradeship to the revolutionary British workers, we must join with them in struggle to put an end to the horrors of war. The fascist leaders lie when they assert that Greece has threatened and attacked us. At all periods of our history the best people of Italy—the liberals of Santerre di Santa Rosa, Garibaldi, and the fighters and socialists in Domokos—gave their lives for the freedom and independence of Greece.

"Threatened on both sides by the imperialists, the Greek people were compelled to defend their country against those who attacked it just as they defended it in the past against the Turkish hordes. The Italian people have no interest in occupying that country and in robbing the Greek people with whom we must and can live in peace, of their liberty. Still less have we any interest in seeing Greece and all other Balkan countries occupied by the German armies and becoming German colonies.

"But this is precisely the result achieved by the crazy, criminal policy of Italian fascism. Fascism lies when in its anxiety to cover up its responsibility and the bankruptcy of its entire policy it asserts that Italy has had for twenty years to

wage a struggle for its existence.

Actually Italian fascism has been waging a struggle for twenty years against the people of Italy, against the workers and peasants whom it has deprived of all liberties and whose rations it has reduced from year to year so as to enrich the big landowners, big industrialists and aristocrats and all those who live in the misery of the people.

"Fascism promised to rid the land of the corruption of the former regime; but the fascist leaders are the most corrupt caste Italy has ever known. Under the guise of maintaining the defensive power of the country, they extorted 170,000,000,000 lire from the people; but in actual fact a big portion of this enormous sum has made its way into the pockets of the munition

manufacturers and the adventurous and corrupt fascist leaders. Fascism promised to emancipate the people from the slavery of the capitalist regime, but today all the wealth of the country is in the hands of the big capitalists, is monopolized by the trusts and cartels. Several hundreds of sharp swindlers and speculators handle this wealth exclusively in their own interests while they grind down the small and middle producer.

"Fascism promised the peasants land, homes and well-being. But the peasants are delivered to the mercy of the big landowners, banks and trusts, are weighed down with debts and taxation, and can no longer freely dispose of their own products, which are taken away

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Unions Form APM Peace Group Here

A permanent Greater New York Labor Committee Against War was created and set into motion by representatives of more than 50 New York unions meeting under the auspices of the National Labor Committee Against War, Monday night. The National Labor Committee is affiliated with the American Peace Mobilization.

Delegates from both AFL and CIO unions participated in the conference. The conference named a new executive committee as the first step in a drive to mobilize the New York labor movement to take the lead in the struggle against involvement in war.

Albert Stankus, of Local 475 of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, was unanimously elected chairman of the new committee. C. H. Van Tyne, trade union director of the New York Peace Mobilization, was unanimously elected secretary.

The conference also established a provisional Food Workers' Peace Committee which was organized during the meeting by delegates from the culinary trades.

Frederick N. Myers of the National Maritime Union told the conference that the "time for telegrams has passed. The time for action has passed. Now is the time to get out on the sidewalk, out on the Perpetual Peace Vigil, and show the war-makers that we know what the score is!"

Other speakers included Charles Collins, Local 6 of the Hotel and

Club Workers; Anne Berenholz of the Joint Council of the United Office and Professional Workers; Alex Crosby, editor of Federated Press, and Van Tyne. Chairman of the conference was Joseph Dermody, Secretary of District 4 of the UERMWA.

Applause greeted an announcement by Daniel Allen of the State, County and Municipal Workers, that the New York State Industrial Union Council would send a delegation to Washington to protest the war drive.

Among the resolutions passed were the following: Against "any kind of naval operations to involve the United States in war"; for the defense of the Transport Workers' Union now under attack by Mayor LaGuardia; against the Vinson Bill; for no discrimination in defense industry or in the army and navy.

Other resolutions were passed informing the President that "Sidney Hillman is in no way representative of labor"; against the proposed new tax plan; for 100 per cent taxation of all war profits; and for support to the Perpetual Peace Vigil by sending huge delegations to the capital on Memorial Day.

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Germany and subsequently Japan.

"Therefore it must be considered that at the present, the center of war is in the Atlantic and not in the Pacific Ocean. After the conclusion of the Soviet-Japanese Neutrality Pact, Japan, in its policy, is making use of varying interpretations of this pact in other countries which doubtless reflects the internal contradictions in the ruling camp of Japan. Above all, Japan is actively preparing for armed expansion southwards and is energetically pursuing a dual policy with respect to China.

"On the one hand she is developing a military offensive, attempting to blockade China; on the other hand she is spreading false rumors on the possibility of peace, attempting to split the unity of China and in this way bring about the speedy termination of the war in China.

"Japan is also pursuing a dual policy with respect to Britain, the United States and the Dutch East Indies. On the one hand she is undertaking active diplomatic steps and on the other using threats, attempting to wrest certain conces-

sions from Britain and the United States and temporarily relieve the tense atmosphere.

"In the conditions of the imperialist war, China must firmly adhere to the platform of the national liberation war and resist the aggression of Japanese imperialism. China must pursue an independent and her own policy in the war and must not join the bloc of imperialist countries who are waging war and must never renounce the principle of national independence and freedom.

"China," Chou En Lai points out, "cannot refuse foreign aid. But we must clearly understand that the initiative, independence and achievement of victory with our own forces, form the basis of state policy in our armed resistance."

The author then dwells on the necessity of taking advantage of the imperialist contradictions. "But," he continues, "this must be subordinate to the basic foreign policy of our state. Conditions might arise when, while maintaining the foundations of its foreign policy unchanged, China might benefit by undertaking joint operations. Should the war configuration spread to the territory of other countries, even the territory of the British colonies or countries in which the United

States has interests, joint operations would be permissible on a definite scale of the front.

"This will not lead to changes in the character of the war conducted by China. However, should we renounce our independent and our own policy, even on condition that we do not conduct joint military operations with other countries, on any front, we would still fail to achieve the final emancipation of the nation.

"What remains for us to do now is to call the army and people to resolute support of a policy of independent armed resistance, utilize the united democratic forces to overcome the present and even more serious difficulties of the future, defeat the designs of the enemy intended to split China, overcome the Japanese blockade and thereby prepare for the counter-offensive.

"By offering resolute resistance and correctly utilizing aid from without, we must place the Japanese in a position in which they will hesitate between the desire to enslave China and expansion southwards. This will lead Japan to such a position that, unable to find the way out, she will eventually bury herself in the flames of the imperialist war."

Mexican Communists Elect Encina

Parley Ends; Nation Warned of Fascist 'Sinarquistas'

By Alfred Miller

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MEXICO CITY, May 27.—The Eighth National Congress of the Communist Party of Mexico concluded its sessions with the election of a new Central Committee of 17 members. The Central Committee later in the day elected the Party's Political Bureau, headed by Dionisio Encina, famous working class leader of the Laguna region.

Encina first achieved national fame as the leader of the Laguna strike in 1936, when he led 30,000 peasants against the landlords of the region. The peasants won. The huge haciendas were expropriated by President Cardenas and given to the strikers and the Laguna became Mexico's foremost agricultural district.

Besides Encina the new Political Bureau includes Miguel Velasco, Blas Manrique, Alberto Lumbrales, Gustavo Tovar, Hernandez Garcia and Angel Olive.

WARNS OF FASCIST GROUP

In its concluding session the Congress sharply denounced the Sinarquista movement and warned the country that the reactionary forces are again trying "to create a state of civil war and terror against the people and its progressive organization."

The "sinarquistas" are a fascist organization. In a recent demonstration their leaders violently denounced Cardenas and Toledano, Communism and organized labor and urged "struggle to the death" against "Communist organizations."

"Sinarquismo" declared the Congress resolution, "constitutes the bloody shock brigade against every progressive, against the workers and peasants, against the old, against the right to strike and progressive education and its activities are intimately linked to the subversive plans of the fifth column of German, Italian, Japanese and Spanish fascists."

The Mexican people, devoted to peace, energetically reject the maneuvers of the Nazi-fascist agents as well as the 'patriotic' attitude of the agents of the Anglo-American imperialist band, all of whom are trying, for their own egoistic interests, to deny us our national sovereignty and to involve us in the criminal conflagration."

The resolution then called for a thorough investigation of the organization and the immediate prohibition of its semi-military practices. The Communist Party resolution called on all popular organizations and particularly the Confederation of Mexican Workers, National Peasants Confederation, Mexican Youth Confederation and the Party of the Mexican Revolution to rally all forces to halt the activities of the enemies of the Revolution.

Zamzam Survivors to Enter Spain on Way Home

MADRID, May 27 (UP).—American survivors of the Egyptian ship Zamzam will be admitted to Spain, en route to the United States, as soon as they reach the frontier at Irún from Biarritz, France, officials said today.

Portugal also will waive the customary entry visas in order to facilitate their return home, the Lisbon legation said.

No date has been set for the survivors to leave Biarritz, where they were taken after their arrival on a German ship at St. Jean de Luz.

BROWDER Says--



"... Without binding its members to a political program, the Young Communist League must always cling fast to the spirit of Socialism as its guiding light. . . . In a day when capitalism is so palpably breaking down, when socialism is so magnificently succeeding in the Soviet Union, it is only the spirit of socialism that will finally snatch the young generation, so hungry for the full and free life which capitalism denies it out of a demagogic fascism."

—"Second Imperialist War," by Earl Browder.

'In Browder's Name'--YCL Aims To Top 2,000 Recruiting Goal by June 15

By Henry Winston

The Browder recruiting drive for 2,000 new members initiated by the National Council of the YCL will be successfully concluded. The initial momentum achieved, and the enthusiasm with which the drive has been greeted by the membership, indicates that the YCL will go over the top.

This is the conclusion reached after a discussion of the drive which has already reached its half-way mark. The National Council of the Young Communist League has issued for the drive 100,000 copies of a pamphlet entitled "Who Are the Young Communists," 50,000 copies of a pamphlet "Girls in Uniform," 75,000 copies of a leaflet addressed to the students, "Education and the War," a reprint of Earl Browder's article in the May Communist. This material was issued in addition to the Free Ear, Browder pamphlet, written by Robert Minor, the sale of "The Way Out," by Browder. The History of the Communist Party of the U.S.A. and the sale and distribution of the special Browder anniversary issue of the Daily Worker.

STIMULATES RECRUITING

This material served not merely as a means to improve the ideological work of the League but as an important stimulus in the recruiting drive. Thus, Boston, which really is swinging into the drive has recruited more than a third of its quota—bringing 32 new members into the YCL. Illinois, which is in competition with the New York State YCL—added 50 new recruits—42 of which came in during the first two weeks of the drive. Others are: Detroit 35, Ohio 44, Philadelphia 35 and New York State 294. The Browder recruiting drive has

served to really make the League recruiting-conscious. The total recruits in the drive thus far is about 600, with all districts not having reported.

The half-way period of the drive has been reached, but results are still short of the required tempo. How can the discrepancy be explained? Most districts adopted plans similar to Philadelphia.

PLANS FOR DRIVE

(1) All regular readers of the YCL Review and young people who bought the Dean of Canterbury's Soviet Power are to be visited as a basis for recruiting.

(2) Shop workers in the YCL have set themselves quotas on the basis of the number of contacts they have in the shops.

(3) Small house gatherings have been arranged where the section organizer or another leading YCL'er talks on the world situation. The section organizer is given a definite quota in recruiting.

(4) The YCL groups are the main instruments for recruiting; at the group meetings pledges are made; people discussed and assigned to group members to contact and recruit.

(5) Newly recruited youth are invited to special meetings, as new League fighters for peace and Socialism, to learn and help spread the teachings of Browder. These plans, however, during the first stage of the drive did not fully become the operative basis upon which this was conducted. This is due to the fact that the first stage was one of establishing machinery, preparation as well as recruiting. The actual drive was only slowly getting under way. The recruiting during this period came in the main from the leadership. Now, in the

second stage, there is a better condition for a full mobilization of the membership.

SECOND STAGE

The second stage of the drive will result not only in a quicker tempo, but also in making up for lost time, so the League can go over the top on June 15. This will be accomplished by the following methods:

(1) By assurance that the drive will be anchored in every group and involving all members.

(2) That, while efforts are concentrated upon industrial and Negro youth, other sections of young people should not be neglected by the League.

(3) That not only branch presidents and group captains be involved in recruiting members but that all members, and especially the new recruits, be involved.

(4) Development of socialist competition between individuals and through formation of shock brigades of active recruiters.

(5) More study of Browder's writings, especially on the war, and how to fight more effectively against conveyor, and an A. E. F. The YCL has undertaken another objective of which it is particularly proud—to recruit 500 members into the Communist Party. The

League will select from among its membership those who have shown by their understanding, militancy, loyalty and devotion to the cause of the workers these new recruits. The various district committees will propose names for consideration which will be approved by the membership. During the last leg of the Drive, having accepted our quota in Browder's name, I am confident that the League will fulfill its objectives with honors. This is the spirit of Browder.

Axis Advances N. Y. Communists Launch Browder Literature Drive

Iraqis Claim All British Attacks Repulsed in Maalak Fighting

CAIRO, May 27 (UP).—Small Axis columns led by tanks and supported by airplanes battled their way across the Egyptian frontier today and advanced several miles along the top of the Sollum escarpment, it was announced officially.

British troops still held the town of Sollum, well informed quarters said, and have succeeded in slowing down the advance. The operation was said to be continuing.

There was no change in the situation at besieged Tobruk, Libya, the communists said. In Iraq, likewise, the situation was reported unchanged.

A Royal Air Force communiqué reported that British bombers attacked the harbor at Benghazi, starting fires on railroad sidings and hitting the telephone exchange and Quay. Other RAF aircraft attacked an Axis merchantman off the North African coast and bombed an airbase on the island of Scarpanto.

IRAQ REPORT 105 BRITISH CASUALTIES IN BATTLE

BERLIN, May 27 (UP).—An Iraq High Command communiqué reported here by the DNB News Agency today said the British lost 105 in dead and wounded in fighting near Maalak and Chouba in the Southern Front.

In Western Iraq, it said, native troops threw back all attacks on the region of Ramadi. The enemy retreated, leaving considerable war material. Irregulars attacked between Ramadi and Rutba and after a spirited clash forced the enemy to retreat.

BERLIN SAYS BRITISH LOSE HEAVILY AT SOLLUM

BERLIN, May 27 (UP).—British troops suffered heavy losses near Sollum, Egypt, yesterday when patrol forces supported by tanks attempted a sudden attack on German positions, the official News Agency said today.

BRITISH BOMB ITALIAN DODECANESE

ROME, May 27 (UP).—British planes bombed Rhodes and the Island of Scarpanto in the Italian Dodecanese Islands yesterday and other British bombers attacked Benghazi, Libya, the Italian High Command said in a communiqué today.

German and Italian planes raided La Valletta, capital of Malta.

Forty-five section literature directors, at a conference held under the auspices of the N. Y. State Literature Department of the Communist Party, unanimously adopted a resolution to distribute a minimum of 50,000 copies out of the initial 100,000 printing of the new "three-for-a-dollar" edition of Earl Browder's *The Way Out*.

Enthusiastically greeting the announcement by Irving Cross, N. Y. State Literature Director, that Browder's book would be made available in a popular mass edition, at the low price of 35 cents per copy, the Conference pledged to complete distribution of the first 50,000 by July 4th, and to continue to new goals in bringing Browder's militant message on the way out of the imperialist war to hundreds of thousands of workers.

Many literature directors, reporting on successful experiences in distributing the Dean of Canterbury's book, *The Soviet Power*, declared that Browder's book in a mass popular edition was an ideal piece of literature with which to follow up newly-gained friends and contacts.

In addition to *The Way Out*, the conference resolution called for distribution of 100,000 copies of Browder's new pamphlet, *The Communist Party of the U.S.A.: Its History, Role and Organization*; and 10,000 copies of the special June "Browder 50th Birthday Number" of *The Communist*.

The conference was also addressed by Bill Lawrence, N. Y. State Organizational Secretary of the Communist Party, and by Donald Lester, Educational Director, who acted as chairman for the meeting.

Army Brawn Is Aim of Gov't Food Parley

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conception of the nature of our educational system," he declared. "We must place a decided emphasis on physical training and physical education."

"Our educational system must place the youth who has developed a perfect healthy body on a plane above the scholarship giant who is reaching this goal by ruining his eyes, his digestion, and his health in general," Hershey added. "Once we have set up an educational objective of a well-developed body, we must organize our curriculum to secure it."

Emphasizing that his only interest in nutrition was to build up young men for military service, Hershey lashed out sharply against those draftees who have been rejected as physically unfit.

"I do not believe our people will continue indefinitely to accept avoidance of military obligations," Hershey said. "If this assumption is accurate we are confronted with the necessity for rehabilitation for the members of this group."

"I believe that it will be necessary to place the responsibility for the rehabilitation of these individuals directly upon the government. In the interest of public morale these individuals should be compelled to render service to the nation," he continued.

Hit War Dep't Drive on Hours In Canneries

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CIO Opposes Effort to Suspend Provisions of Walsh-Healey Act

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be defended on the ground of labor shortage, the letter continued, while there are still 9,000,000 or more unemployed.

A protest was also made in the letter against an attempt to evade the provisions of the Walsh-Healey Act by having the Department of Agriculture send out bids for canned goods.

The letter renewed a CIO offer made last January to confer with canners and army officials on operating the plants on the basis of two or three shifts without more workers instead of with longer hours for present employees.

Deny U. S. Soldiers Land at Singapore

SINGAPORE, May 27 (UP).—Authoritative quarters today categorically denied Japanese reports that U. S. soldiers have been landed in Singapore.

Executed

ROME, May 27 (UP).—Methalloff Vasil Laci, young Greek, who fired on King Victor Emmanuel and the Albanian Premier at Tirana, Albania, on May 17, was executed at dawn today in the Tirana prison court yard, it was announced officially.

Protests Bury Michigan Communist Ban Bill

40 Clergymen Urged Defeat of Threat to Free Elections

By William Allan
(Special to the Daily Worker)

LANSING, Mich., May 27.—Mass public pressure and protest against instituting a "Ja" election set-up in Michigan were able to force the Michigan State Senate to bury in committee House Bill 408, that would bar the Communist Party from the ballot, and would have placed the certification of any third party in the hands of the Secretary of State.

The bill was widely protested. Forty clergymen from all parts of Michigan signed a statement declaring that the bill would not only bar Communists from the ballot, but would strike a blow at free elections with its clause giving the Secretary of State power to place names of parties on the ballot at his own discretion.

The "discretion" was necessary, the bill said, so that if any party asking for certification had any Communists in it then it was up to the Secretary of State to see that the party did not get on the ballot.

Because of the great opposition, the Senate Elections Committee was forced to grant two public hearings on the bill. The Michigan Civil Rights Federation composed of and representing approximately 5,000,000 people through the affiliation of the people's organizations to the CRF, was in the forefront of the fight to lick the "Ja" election law.

Ask Maryland Referendum On Ballot Ban

CIO Opposes Measure Menacing Rights of Minority Parties

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BALTIMORE, Md., May 27.—A drive to force to a referendum vote a bill which would tend to bar minority parties from the state ballot was launched here this week by the Maryland and District of Columbia Industrial Union Council.

In a letter to all affiliated local unions, John T. Jones, president of the council, urged immediate action to secure 10,000 signatures to petitions calling for a referendum.

The bill, known as HR 12, would require publication of the names of all signers of petitions nominating independent candidates, and would place a prohibitive fee of 25 cents on each signature so filed.

The bill has lain on Governor O'Connor's desk for more than six weeks with no indication from him what action he intends on it.

LABOR OPPOSITION

In his letter to local unions, Jones wrote: "We opposed this measure and were joined in our opposition by the Independent non-CIO Railroad Brotherhoods. No group or person appeared in favor of the bill."

"We object to HR 12 on the ground that it is an attempt to intimidate persons who might sign a future labor party petition, thus giving anti-labor employers an opportunity to discriminate against workers who sign these petitions."

An editorial in the current issue of Voice of Labor, organ of the Council, declares that Governor O'Connor's delay "threatens to nullify the right of referendum to the voters."

At least 5,000 signatures for a referendum must be filed by June 1.

Fur Union Holds Meeting of Shop Chairmen Today

A meeting of shop chairmen and active members of the Furriers' Joint Council, CIO, will be held at Webster Hall, 119 East Fourth Ave., 8:30 P. M. today.

Declaring the meeting will have an important bearing on a number of problems the union faces, the Council's call said: "You shop chairmen and active members have helped the union greatly in renewing the agreement with all its gains without a strike, which is considered an achievement of tremendous importance by every decent and loyal fur worker. Now it is necessary for the union to make all necessary preparations in order to make it possible for every fur worker to reap the benefits of our gains."

Condolences to MARTY and his FAMILY in their bereavement

Branch 12, Williamsburg Section, C.P.

NMU Parley In Cleveland To Begin July 7

Call to Convention Sent to All Ships, Union Roll Now 65,000

The third national convention of the National Maritime Union will be held in Cleveland, Ohio, for one week beginning July 7, Ferdinand G. Smith, union secretary, announced yesterday.

Mr. Smith also made public the official "call to the convention," being mailed this week in large quantities to all branches of the union and all ships, contract and non-contract, on which NMU members are working.

The union now has, Smith said, some 65,000 members on deep-water, river, harbor and Great Lakes craft. All have equal right to representation at the convention.

Basic of representation from branches is the number of men registered for shipping out. Basis of representation from ships is the number in the crew. The number of delegates, based on these figures, is the same for branch and ships.

SHIPS TO SEND DELEGATES All ships and branches sending delegates, Smith said, are entitled to their full voting strength, even if they do not send that number of delegates. For example: if a ship is entitled to four delegates and sends one, he has four votes.

The first and second NMU conventions were held in July of 1937 and 1939, respectively. The first was held in New York. The second in New Orleans.

Principal issues before the coming convention, Smith said, will be: national unity of east and west coast seamen; organization of the unorganized; problems created by our growing participation in the war; anti-union legislation; promotion of industrial unionism in those areas where the NMU has branches; participation in the coming CIO drive for 10,000,000 members by 1945; eight-hour day on river craft; cooperation with other trade unions in peace activities; participation in all activities calculated to strengthen the defense of civil liberties in this country and many others.

Considerable interest, Smith continued, has been aroused by proposals for a new, modern headquarters building in New York.

Election of delegates has already taken place on many ships. Elections in the branches will be held late in June and will be based on the number of men on the shipping list as of 4 P. M. June 10.

Between 450 and 500 delegates are expected to attend the convention, Smith declares.

President Joseph Curran will preside. There will be no election of officers. All NMU officials are elected by membership referendum, held a few months after the convention.

IWO Women's Parley To Be Held in Chicago

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, May 27.—An important conference of delegates from all Women's Clubs of the International Workers Order, Lodges and Young Fraternalist, Chapter's to discuss the building of women's clubs, and work among women generally will be held Saturday and Sunday at the People's Auditorium, 2457 W. Chicago Ave.

Union Conventions For Coming Months

Following is a list of trade union conventions scheduled for the next three months. The list will be run every Wednesday hereafter. The Daily Worker invites its readers to tell us of any other labor conventions which will occur in this period.

Date 1941 Organization	Place
May 31 Tennessee Industrial Union Council	Chattanooga, Tenn.
June 9 American Federation of Musicians (AFL)	Seattle, Wash.
9 Switchmen's Union (AFL)	Buffalo, N. Y.
10 Iowa State Federation	Burlington, Ia.
13 Maine State Federation	Millinocket, Me.
16 Colorado State Federation	Greeley, Colo.
16 Oregon State Federation	Astoria, Ore.
20 Indiana Ind. Union Council	Muncie, Ind.
20 Virginia Ind. Union Council	Roanoke, Va.
23 American Newspaper Guild (CIO)	Detroit
23 Texas State Federation	El Paso, Texas
27 South Carolina State Federation	Spartanburg, S. C.
30 American Flint Glass Workers Union (AFL)	Washington, Pa.
30 Boot and Shoe Workers Union (AFL)	Undecided
30 Int'l Federation Technical Engineers (AFL)	Undecided
July 7 Nat'l Brotherhood of Operative Potters (AFL)	Buffalo, N. Y.
7 National Maritime Union (CIO)	Cleveland
7 Brotherhood of Loco. Firemen & Engineers	Denver, Colo.
14 Washington State Federation	Spokane, Wash.
15 Int'l Union, Stone Mounters (AFL)	Undecided
21 Int'l Union Stereotypers & Electrotypers (AFL)	Denver, Colo.
Aug. 4 Int'l Union of Mine, Mill & Smelter Wkr's, CIO	Joplin, Mo.
4 Idaho State Federation	Nampa, Idaho
4 Massachusetts State Federation	Undecided
11 North Carolina State Federation	Charlotte, N. C.
16 Vermont State Federation	Montpelier, Vt.
18 Wisconsin State Federation	La Crosse, Wis.
18 New York State Federation	Syracuse, N. Y.
19 Int'l Photo Engravers Union	Rochester, N. Y.
22 American Federation of Teachers	Detroit, Mich.
26 Montana State Federation	Kalispell, Mont.



14 Die in Mine Blast: One of the bodies of the 14 miners killed Saturday in an explosion in the Panhandle Mine of the Bicknell Coal Co., Bicknell, Ind., is brought to the surface.

Mickey Mouse Demands Pact, Disney Men Strike

APM Leader Hails Vets on Eve of Parley

Chicago Meeting Opens Friday; Brigade to Spur Peace Fight

Frederick V. Field, executive secretary of the American Peace Mobilization, yesterday sent warm greetings to the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, who are opening their third annual convention in Chicago next Friday.

Million Wolf, national commander, will open the convention at a meeting to be held at the Hotel Millard.

Friday night, in honor of the veterans who died in Spain. Speaking with Wolf will be Paul Burns, Chicago Post commander; Robert Raven, blinded veteran; John T. Bernard and Ernest De Maio, international representative of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers.

FIELD HAILS VETS

The message said:

"The American Peace Mobilization is striving to do in America today what the fighters of the Lincoln Brigade sought to accomplish during the battle against the invaders of Spain. You fought to win democracy for Spain and to save off a second World War."

"We are trying to make our country into a genuine democracy by doing everything within our power to keep it out of the war. Your convention will do much to organize peace sentiment in this country around a true people's organization, and away from appeasement-minded leaders."

700 at Meeting Vote to Strike; Cartoonists Demand Contract

(Special to the Daily Worker)

HOLLYWOOD, May 27.—Mickey Mouse and Donald Duck will hit the picket line Wednesday morning at 6 o'clock when creators of those characters, employees of Walt Disney Studios, go on strike.

The decision to strike was made last night at an enthusiastic meeting of 700 members of the Screen Cartoonists Guild in the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel. Only three votes were cast against strike action when Disney Guildmen reported failure of "last straw" efforts to meet Disney on peaceful bargaining grounds.

After months of fruitless sparring with the cartoon mogul, guildsmen yesterday presented demands for formal recognition to a "labor contract."

The union claims a two-thirds majority of the employees engaged in making cartoons.

The strike vote will affect 1,200 workers, 700 of them cartoonists. Other craft locals, laboratory technicians, teamsters, maintenance men, camera men, etc., are expected to uphold the strike action completely.

Answering the threatened possibility of strike-breaking by company union men, Disney workers said they were confident the strike would be 100 per cent solid. They warned that strikebreakers must face the consequences of their action. The major cartoon studios, they pointed out, are organized on a closed shop basis. Scabs are likely to find themselves without a profession.

First Office Pact Won in Freight Forwarding Field

The first collective bargaining contract for office employees in the export and freight forwarding industries was signed yesterday between Local 16, United Office and Professional Workers of America, CIO, and F. Marti & Co., Inc., of 44 Beaver St.

The contract provides for a forty-hour week, in place of an unlimited work-week; time and a half for overtime; instead of no pay for overtime; nine and one-half holidays, rather than seven; two weeks vacation after one year's employment; one week's vacation after 6 months, whereas previously no vacations had existed; sick leave with pay; provisions for no discharge except for just and sufficient cause; full seniority rights; grievance machinery; two ten-minute rest periods per day and arbitration of all discharges. Salaries which formerly started as low as \$12 per week now commence at \$16 for messengers and generally range from \$21 to \$35 per week. Other improvements secured in the contract are the right of the union to reopen the wage question if the cost of living rises and full job protection for returned draftsmen.

Ben Davis, Jr. Speaks At Rally Here Tonight

Ben Davis, Jr., member of the Daily Worker editorial board, will speak on "Civil Liberties of the Negro People" at a rally tonight at 8:30 in Blue Room Hall, 250 W. 116th St.

The rally, which is one of a series in the Free Earl Browder campaign now being conducted by Branches 4, 6 and 7 of the Communist Party of the 11th Assembly District and the Young Communist League, will also hear Sadie Van Veen, chairman of New York State Women's Commission of the Communist Party, and Howard Johnson of the Young Communist League.

Woolworth Building Tied Up by Strike

Two-Hour Walkout by Workers Forces Agreement

The 60-story Woolworth Building, 233 Broadway, was yesterday tied up for nearly two hours when elevator operators, building service workers, electricians, operating engineers and firemen, members of four AFL locals, came out in a joint strike.

More than 250 in all who came out on strike, at noon, formed a mass picket line. It was almost 2 P. M. when the management agreed to submit the dispute to the State Mediation Board and accept its recommendations. The workers resumed their work immediately.

About 175 of the workers are members of Local 32-B, Building Service Employees. The others were divided among Local 3, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 94, Operating Engineers and Local 56 Firemen.

Local 32-B won a collective bargaining election for the workers in the building about two months ago. Several conferences between the management and joint negotiators for the unions, took place since then.

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Jersey Pier Fire Kills Barge Captain

Penn. R.R. Dock Blaze Fought by 700; Damage Heavy

JERSEY CITY, N. J., May 27 (UP).—One man was killed and several freight cars and barges were damaged or destroyed today when fire swept the 1,800-foot pier of the Pennsylvania Railroad here.

The dead man was identified as Captain William Minnock, of 231-12 Union Turnpike, Melrose, Queens. He was captain of the Adrian R., a barge owned by the Jacob Reis and Son Co. and chartered to the Pennsylvania Railroad.

The blaze was fought under control by 200 Jersey City firemen and 500 volunteers an hour and 20 minutes after the first of three alarms was sounded.

The New York City Fireboat William Strong and 13 tugboats poured streams of water on the flames.

Twenty-five freight cars loaded with wooden, gressotite-coated piling caught fire and much of the lumber was destroyed. Seven box cars snaked off the pier by a locomotive were burned. Two flaming barges were towed out into the harbor. Of the 25 loaded cars, 13 wooden ones were destroyed and the other 12, of steel, were damaged. The underpiling of the pier was badly charred.

Coast Guard Rescues 39 in North Atlantic

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TWU Cites Seattle Transit Contract

Distribute 'Transit Truths' to Subway Riders; Point to Seattle as Reply to LaGuardia's Stand; Article Exposes Unsafe Lines

Seattle was cited as an example of a city owning its transit lines and bargaining collectively with a union representing its civil service employees by the fifth edition of "Transit Truths," the leaflet published weekly by the Transit Workers Union, distributed to subway riders yesterday.

At subway and elevated stations throughout the city 1,500,000 copies of "Transit Truths" were distributed between 4:30 and 7:00 P. M. to homegoing citizens. Distribution of the leaflet is part of the union's direct-to-the-people campaign in the controversy over collective bargaining for the city's transit employees.

"Transit Truths" features also an article on safety on the transit lines and recites the case history of one of the hundreds of grievances which the TWU has been seeking to have the Board of Transportation adjudicate.

Because the Board of Transportation has disregarded the contract with the Transport Workers Union, the lines are not fully manned, the article states. The result is that the seven-day week has been brought back for many men, others are being forced to work ten and twelve hours daily, and the vacations of many men have been postponed until after warm weather. The leaflet also cites "other glaring failures of the Board of Transportation in serving the people."

"Wooden cars are still in use.

Automatic block signals have not been installed universally. The cars are not kept clean, due to a lack of men, creating unsanitary conditions. There are not enough platform guards and station agents, especially at night."

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Local 65 Fills Drive For 10,000

Membership Meeting Opens New Drive for 7,000 More

Announcing that its goal of 10,000 members has been achieved with some to spare before the June 1 deadline, Local 65 of the United Wholesale and Warehouse Workers, CIO, at a membership meeting at Manhattan Center ballroom last night formally opened its "7 in 7" drive—7,000 members in 7 months.

The membership meeting was held in two sections—one earlier in the evening filling the promenade ballroom, and a later one in the grand ballroom of the building.

Parallel with the drive for 7,000 members, the union aims for a \$200,000 "defense fund."

The meeting also adopted a number of resolutions, one pledging full support for the defense of Harry Bridges, which was adopted after an address to the members by Frederick N. Myers, organizer of the National Maritime Union; and a second which pledged full support to the Transport Workers Union struggle to win collective bargaining rights.

In adopting the latter resolution, the union said its own defense drive closely bound up with the fight of the TWU.

OPPOSE CONVOYS
A third resolution declared in part "that on the eve of our defense drive, we go on record as opposing the use of American convoys or patrols of any form, open or hidden, and we pledge to continue our fight against all steps that will take us deeper into the war."

A fourth resolution entered a strong protest against "the use of the Army, Navy and Marines to convoy scabs and strikebreakers."

After hearing a report on the status of the union's contracts, the membership adopted a program calling for greater efforts to obtain association-wide agreements with the aim of standardizing scales; that pacts be signed, when possible, for a two-year duration with the right of the union to reopen the wage clause when rising living costs make reopening necessary; and to lay greater stress upon raising the minimum wage scales.

More than 400 new members were initiated at last night's meeting.

President Arthur Osman was presented with a cup by Harry Wilson, dramatic group chairman of the New Theatre League, for the local's prize-winning "Sing While You Fight."

Charge Threats Against CIO in Sanitation Dep't
Letter to Mayor Blasts 'Invisible Gov't' of Racketeers

Charges by a newly chartered CIO union of city sanitation men that "threats and intimidation" are being used by officers of the Sanitation Department to "force" sanitation men to pay dues to a "dishonest, illicit, racketeering company union," were made in a statement submitted yesterday to Mayor LaGuardia and Sanitation Commissioner William F. Carey.

Officers of this group, according to the statement, have been "found guilty of theft or diversion of funds." Despite this fact, the Sanitation Department has "given its official blessing to the organization," which exists as an "invisible government" in the department, the statement charged.

"Grievous working conditions and unjust personnel practices" prevail in the department, the statement said, including a disciplinary system "which is almost feudal in its autocratic character." City Sanitation men have received pay increases "totaling \$1.15 a week" in the past eleven years "although the rise of living costs during this same period have been far in excess of that amount."

The statement was sent to the two city officials by Abram Flaxer, national president of the State, County and Municipal Workers of America, CIO, who explained in his covering letter that he had acted at the request of the members of the new Sanitation local "pending forthcoming elections."

THREATEN FIRINGS
Violation of "the stated policy . . . that the City of New York recognizes the right of self-organization by its employees and that it will deal with any and all such groups" was charged against Sanitation Department officers in the CIO declaration. In this connection it was alleged that "officials in the department were outspoken in maintaining the opposite of this policy, and threatened men who joined the CIO with dismissal and other forms of reprisal."

This "willful and antagonistic attitude," the statement declared "is not only defiant of city policy, but 'prejudicial to good order and discipline in the department.'"

The declaration added that "two attempts" by department officers to "frame" CIO members "were dismal and farcical failures."



Kitten Quints—Very Rare: The story here has nothing to do with the pretty girl. She's only posing with the quintuplet Siamese Temple cats, a rare event in the cat family. They are owned by Frank Weaver, of San Diego, Cal. The girl? Oh yes, here name is Edith Bell.

Police and Fire Depts. to Train Civilian War Body

Mayor Tells of Home Guard Plan at Medal Ceremonies; OK's Tax on Poor; Firemen 'To Take It on Chin,' He Declares

Mayor LaGuardia declared yesterday the Police and Fire Departments would soon begin to train home guard civilian forces for war service.

These forces, he said, will be used in an "emergency" and in "event of attacks by a foreign enemy."

Seven Day Pickets on Trial Today

All Are Charge With Disorderly Conduct; 7 More Tomorrow

Two Newspaper Guildsmen, Martin Hainish and Miss Sylvia Swick, both of Friday magazine, were arrested yesterday and booked on disorderly conduct charges for picketing the Borden Milk Co., 350 Madison Ave., an advertiser in the struck Jewish Day.

This brings to seven the Borden pickets scheduled to appear before Magistrate Joseph D'Andrea in Yorkville court this morning.

Miss Swick and Hainish were released in the custody of their attorney, as were the other five, who are: Mrs. William E. Dodd, daughter-in-law of the late Ambassador to Germany; Kenneth Bley, Mrs. Mabel Pollock, Fritz Silber and Ed Zusk.

All are newspaper employees and members of the Guild, which has been conducting a strike against the Jewish Day since Feb. 14.

Tomorrow seven persons will appear on Essex Market Court on charges arising out of picketing the premises of the struck plant at 183 E. Broadway. The seven are: Mr. and Mrs. Samson Erdberg, Rubin Eisland, Mrs. Sara B. Smith, William Dralash, Clara Weiner and Benjamin Weiss.

Erdberg, Eisland, Mrs. Smith and Miss Weiner are strikers.

Ten Cents a Cup—Coffee Monopolies Plan New Rise

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Tea Company of America (the old A. & P.) will profit many thousand times more.

A & P MORGAN LINK

The A. & P., which does a business of approximately one billion dollars a year in 15,000 stores, has steadily upped its profits during recent years.

This company, a leading figure in the coffee importers' ring, through its subsidiary, the American Coffee Corporation.

It is tied with both the Morgan and Rockefeller interests through interlocking directorate with the Guaranty Trust Co. and Chase National Bank.

Mr. Henkel may buy a new Packard out of his winnings, but he can't compete with the \$150,000 salary of T. H. McInerney, president of the National Dairy Products Co., the owner of Sheffield Farms Co.

Governor Lehman's banker brother, will benefit from that same ten cent coffee. Lehman Brothers "seem dominant in National Dairy Products," said Anna Rochester in "Rulers of America."

Borden Co., the other side of the

milk trust, which was jointly indicted with Sheffield as an anti-trust law violator last fall, will benefit enormously too. So will Rockefeller's Chase bank, with which its directors are connected.

Our governor's brother gets a big cut out of the restaurant price rise too through Kroger's Grocery and Bakery Co., which his firm also dominates. The Kroger company made so much money selling coffee, tea and sugar to householders and small restaurant owners last year from 3,655 stores that it paid a salary of \$206,402 to Harry W. Bracy, a key official, who bears the modest title of "branch manager," and another salary of \$116,875 to President Albert H. Morrell, reports the Labor Research Association.

When you drink that ten cent coffee, think also of the \$127,000 salary that went to President Clarence Francis of General Foods last year and the milder payment of \$106,000 to Vice President Austin S. Ingelhart.

Coffee got thin at the ten cent altitude during World War No. 1. It may get thinner this year, but the coffee trust will be fatter. Borch Nix for instance reported a 17 per cent profit last year.

Which sounds funny when the government's program of food destruction comes to mind.

Anyhow ten cent coffee is coming unless you organize to fight it. And this fight must be a fight against the imperialist war at the same time, for the war means shrunken bellies at home as well as death on the firing line.

AFL Machinist Head Defends Coast Strikers

Green Joins Senators in Attack on Coast Unions at Hearing

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the A. F. of L. on the ground that Bethlehem Steel had never signed the agreement.

Informing the committee that he was informed of the West Coast situation only in general terms, Brown repeatedly asked the committee that it call representatives of the strikers who are in personal touch with all the details.

Committee members, including Senators Tom Connally of Texas, Ralph Brewster of Vermont, James Mead of New York and Harry Truman of Missouri, insisted, however, on using Brown's appearance on the witness stand as an occasion for denunciations of the strike.

HOSTILITY TO STRIKERS

Representatives of the CIO and A. F. of L. Machinists Locals which are opposed to the elimination and are insisting on retention of double time for overtime and of a \$1.15 an hour scale will not be heard until tomorrow.

The committee attitude has been one of marked hostility to the strikers despite the fact that it has not yet heard a single spokesman for the locals involved.

Even the committee's announcement of witnesses was heavily slanted against the strikers. The announcement said, for example, that Brown had been asked to explain the stand of the I.A.M. "especially as Bethlehem seems willing to sign a contract containing all the clauses contained in the zoning agreement."

Brown departed from the main theme of his testimony to indulge in red baiting attacks against the CIO drive to organize West Coast aircraft workers. He also threw in an unsubstantiated statement that Hillman had "assisted" the CIO during the Vultee strike in California.

6 Naval Ships Lost in Crete, British Admit

Deny Nazi Claims of Smashing Fleet of 25 Vessels

LONDON, May 27 (UP).—The spectacular struggle between British sea power and German aerial power in the waters of Crete has resulted in the sinking of two British cruisers and four destroyers, the Admiralty announced today.

A majority of the crew members of the destroyed ships have been rescued. It was announced, but it was feared that Lord Louis Mountbatten, famous naval commander and cousin of King George, was lost with the destroyer Kelly, which he was commanding.

Denying German claims that the British Mediterranean fleet had been smashed by bombs with the loss of 25 ships, the Admiralty admitted that two battleships and several other cruisers had been damaged but not seriously.

Panama Minister Leaves for Washington

PANAMA CITY, May 27 (UP).—Raul De Roux, Foreign Minister of Panama, departed for the United States by plane today.

De Roux will confer with State Department officials in Washington.



Huge Jacks at Grand Coulee: Scene at the Washington showing hydraulic jacks which, operated by a master pump, were used to lower a recently completed 500-ton drum gate into an "open" position to allow flood waters of the Columbia River to pass over the spillway of the dam.

FDR in New War Move Calls 'Full Emergency'

Orders Wide Power for Regulation of Civilians; Warns Labor and Peace Forces, Demands 'No Stoppages'

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labor, he said: "A nation-wide machinery for conciliation and mediation of industrial disputes has been set up. That machinery must be used without stoppage of work."

The President indicated that so-called civilian defense would play a great role in the immediate future.

The situation, he added, "requires the strengthening of our defense to the extreme limit of our national power and authority" and "the nation will expect all individuals and all groups to play their full parts, without stint, and without selfishness. . . ."

The burden of his speech, however, was directed to selling the country—more than 80 per cent of which has declared itself against getting into the "shooting stage" of the war—on the idea that the country is threatened by Nazi advances in various parts of the globe.

"The battle of the Atlantic now extends from the icy waters of the North Pole to the frozen continent of the Antarctic," he said. "Throughout this huge area, there have been sinkings of merchant ships in alarming and increasing numbers by Nazi raiders or submarines. . . . Great numbers of these sinkings have been actually within the waters of the Western Hemisphere."

"The blunt truth is this—and I reveal this with the full knowledge of the British government: the present rate of Nazi sinkings of merchant ships is more than three times as high as the capacity of British shipyards to replace them; it is more than twice the combined British and American output of merchant ships today."

"We can answer this peril by two simultaneous measures: First, by speeding up . . . our shipbuilding; and second, by helping to cut down the losses on the high seas."

"Attacks on shipping off the very shores of land which we are determined to protect, present an actual military danger to the Americas. . . ."

WARNS PEACE FORCES

Turning his fire against the peace forces of the country, he implied that their views are simply "echoes of Axis propaganda." He also linked Communists with Bundists and fascists.

He did not use the term "universal draft" or community vigilante tactics but declared:

"Your government has the right to expect of all citizens that they take loyal part in the common work of our common defense. . . ."

"I have recently set up the machinery for civilian defense. It will rapidly organize, locally by locality. It will depend on the organized effort of men and women everywhere. . . ."

"Defense today means more than merely fighting. It means morale. . . . It means using every available resource; it means enlarging every useful plant. It means the use of a greater American common sense in discarding rumor and distorted statement. It means recognizing, for what they are, racketeers and fifth columnists, who are the incendiary bombs of the moment."

In solemn words that recalled to veteran listeners the phrases of President Wilson, Roosevelt reasserted "the ancient American doctrine of freedom of the seas" "the solidarity of the 21 American Republics," material support for Britain and a readiness to fight wherever and whenever "American in-

terests are attacked or our security threatened."

The President made his program a "world" one—calling for "a world of freedom."

The President did not give even a hint that a national emergency would be proclaimed until near the end of his remarks.

The proclamation stated that indifference on the part of the United States to the increasing menace of Axis conquest would be perilous. Common prudence, it asserted, requires that "for the security of this nation and of this hemisphere we should pass from peacetime authorizations of military strength to such a basis as will enable us to cope instantly and decisively, with any attempt at hostile encroachment of this Hemisphere, of the establishment of any bases for aggression against us, as well as to repel the threat of predatory incursion by foreign agents into our territory and society."

He concluded the proclamation with the following:

"Now, therefore, I, Franklin D. Roosevelt, President of the United States of America, do proclaim that an unlimited national emergency confronts this country, which requires that its military, naval, air and civilian defenses be put on the basis of readiness to repel any and all acts of threats of aggression directed toward any part of the western hemisphere."

"I call upon all the loyal citizens engaged in production for defense to give precedence to the needs of the nation to the end that a system of government that makes private enterprise possible may survive."

"I call upon all our loyal workmen as well as employers to merge their lesser differences in the larger effort to insure the survival of the only kind of government which recognizes the rights of labor or of capital."

"I call upon loyal state and local leaders and officials to cooperate with the civilian defense agencies of the United States to assure our internal security against foreign directed subversion and to put every community in order for maximum productive effort and minimum of waste and unnecessary frictions."

"I call upon all loyal citizens to place the nation's needs first in mind and in action to the end that we may mobilize and have ready for instant defensive use all of the physical powers, all of the moral strength and all of the material resources of this nation."

Send \$835 To Aid APM's Peace Vigil

Proof of the deep hatred of the American people for the patrol-convoys plan of the administration is indicated by their enthusiastic response to the plea of the American Peace Mobilization for funds to keep alive the Perpetual Picket Line in front of the White House, Frederick V. Field, executive secretary, said yesterday.

More than half the banners carried by the pickets, who have marched continuously since 3 P. M. Friday, May 9, bear the "No Convoys" slogan.

To date, more than \$835 has been received, Field declared. Largest amount contributed, \$50, is from the Washington Peace Mobilization, which also bore the brunt of the "round-the-clock" picketing for the first few days.

More Pay to Meet Price Rise, Says Cafeteria Union

Local 302, AFL Paper Blasts War Burdens on People, Calls for Action Against Tax Increase, Profiteering; Flays Involvement

Listing current wage cuts as taking the form of rising prices, increased taxation and lowered quality of consumer goods, the Cafeteria Call, organ of Local 302 of the Cafeteria Employees Union, AFL, states editorially in its current issue that "just to hold our own we must win wage increases in our present contract negotiations."

Citing growing profiteering and soaring profits, the editorial writes emphatically:

"We don't want to pay for this war which can bring us nothing but misery and death. We want to get out and stay out of the war."

The editorial quotes Ildor Lubin, Commissioner of Labor Statistics, as showing that food costs have gone up 22 1/2 per cent in the last 12 months, and that butter alone has gone up 8 cents a pound during that time.

Commenting on this, the editorial writes:

"There is, in most cases, no real reason for these price rises. The Department of Markets points out that there are 4,000,000 more pounds of butter in storage in the city than there was last year at this time."

"This means that the butter dealers are holding out to their butter to create an artificial 'shortage' in the hopes that the government will place large orders and that the dealers can then demand still higher prices."

CITES TAX BURDENS
Pointing to rising taxes, the editorial says that "tax proposals now pending in Congress all lower the income tax exemption. The same proposals raise the rate, particularly in the lower income brackets."

"Additional taxes on beer, cigarettes, gasoline and movies are also being proposed."

"Even in 1939 people with incomes of \$1,000 paid 18 per cent in taxes and that's plenty."

The editorial lists corporation profits as increasing last year by 25 per cent over 1939, while "in the last quarter of this year they are 23 per cent over the same period in 1940."

"If there are to be increased corporation profits," the editorial states, "workers should share in them."

"The corporations are doing more than holding their own."

"We want to do more than hold our own."

"We want to raise our living standards and now is the time."

Selly Opposes Monopolistic Wire Merger

Move Would Peril 17,000 Jobs; Urge Probe at Senate Hearing

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 27.—Joseph P. Selly, president of the CIO-American Communications Association, today opposed the creation of a government-sponsored monopoly in the telephone industry at a hearing conducted by the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee.

Selly's position was supported by Lee Pressman, CIO General Counsel, who warned the committee that a merger of Western Union and Postal Telegraph would jeopardize the jobs of 17,000 workers.

"It would not be in the interests of the public, the national defense of labor to permit the creation of a monopoly," Selly said in assailing the recommendation of James L. Fly, chairman of the Federal Communications Commission that the two big telephone companies be permitted to merge.

Selly declared that the FCC had been "delinquent in not conducting an investigation of the effect on the public and on labor of a monopoly in the telephone industry."

He urged that the Interstate Committee or some other Senate body conduct a careful investigation before a merger of the Western Union and Postal Telegraph is permitted.

CHICAGO—Decoration Day Weekend

Lincoln Veterans Convention Activities

Friday, May 30th, 8 P.M.

Anti-War Rally

Speakers:
Major Milton Wolf
National Commander of the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade.

John T. Bernard
Former Congressman from Minnesota.

Lieut. Robert Raven
Blinded veteran of the war in Spain.

Ernest DeMaio
International Representative of the United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers.

Lieut. Paul Burns
Commander of the Chicago Post of the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade.

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Dies Stooze for Anglo-Nazi Trona Trust, Union Charges

Robinson, Head of CIO Smelter Workers, States 'Red' Cry Against Strikers Is Blind for Chemical Firm's Schemes; Defends APM

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DENVER, Colo., May 27.—"Two things are obvious from the slanderous remarks made in the House by Rep. Joe Starnes of the Dies Committee," declared President Reid Robinson of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers.

"It is apparent that the Nazi-dominated American Potash and Chemical Corp. would like to obscure the fact that foreign owners are sabotaging defense by stalling settlement of the A. P. & C. C. strike on Trona, Calif., through using mouthpieces for a 'red' smear against honest, American trade unionists.

"It is further obvious that the readiness of Joe Starnes to stooze for these foreign absentee owners is due in no small part to our union's militant fight for abolition of the un-American poll tax which denies the franchise to 90 per cent of the Southern voters and makes it possible for such characters as Starnes to get into Congress."

Robinson continued:

"Starnes' charge that I am a Communist is as vicious as it is stupid and baseless, but it fits in with the consistent strike-breaking activities of the Dies Committee which prompted CIO President Philip Murray to charge in a letter to Representative Martin Dies: 'Your activities are truly subversive, since you are trying to create confusion and hatred in the nation through your labor-baiting. It seems strangely significant your groundless charges against the CIO always come at a time when they can do the most harm.'"

"Starnes' blast against this organization and his mention of the Trona, Calif., dispute are obviously timed and aimed to aid in its fight against labor a Nazi-controlled corporation which has in past years taken out of this country a net profit of as much as \$3,300 a year for each worker employed, while paying a mere fraction of that in wages."

DEMAND END TO SMEAR

"The Dies Committee is fronting for a corporation which cannot come into the court of public opinion with clean hands because it has intentionally prolonged a strike by refusing acceptance of a settlement proposal made by a panel of the National Defense Mediation Board which was accepted by this union."

"We demand that the Dies Committee cease its well-timed forays against unions and immediately investigate sabotage of the national defense program by a corporation whose own admission that a majority of its stock is owned by the 'Dutch,' which now means 'the Nazis,' is contained in the Congressional Record."

Also scored was Starnes' attempt to discredit as 'Communist' the American Peace Mobilization, of which Mr. Robinson is a vice-president.

"Yelling Communist at anyone who expresses the true wishes of the majority of Americans that a real effort be made to steer the nation toward the goals of peace and settlement of our great and perplexing problems is merely the beginning of Nazism and denial of free opinion in this country."

Jail 5 Indians for Not Registering for Draft

PHOENIX, Ariz., May 27.—Five Hopi Indians, the only members of the tribe subject to selective service who failed to register, were sentenced today to serve a year and a day in prison.



REID ROBINSON

Harvey Aide Quits—Faces Graft Probe

Amen to Quiz Halleran on Paving Rackets in Queens

Ask Mr. Halleran. That's the slogan on signs all over sprawling Queens County. If you ever want real estate in that borough you'll probably stumble across one of the many parcels of property owned by the Halleran brothers, more important of whom is John J. Halleran, Commissioner of Borough Works, who Saturday announced his resignation from that \$8,750 a year job.

But before he quits he's going to be grilled for the third time about certain paving contracts in his borough, according to an announcement yesterday of John M. Murtagh, staff aid to Special Prosecutor John Harlan Amen.

Whether the paving quiz has anything to do with Halleran's sudden desire for private life is not known, but at the Special Prosecutor's office the slogan of the day is, "Ask Mr. Halleran." And they will, they vow privately. Plenty, too.

PROBE PAVING GRAFT

Amen's office has prosecuted borough officials in Brooklyn in connection with paving rackets and has won guilty pleas from a number of leading contractors. Halleran, a big realtor-politician of the old school, has been questioned closely in connection with a number of his land deals. Charges that he profited financially from certain civic improvements have been made on numerous occasions.

He was compelled to stop the sale of securities in a stock promotion scheme designed to finance an airport on some property he and his brother controlled between Flushing and College Point. After appearing before the Hofstadter Committee and his counsel, Judge Samuel Seabury, in 1938, Halleran offered to buy back stock from persons desiring return of their money.

Nominally an independent Democrat, Halleran split with the regular party organization in 1928 after the Queens sewer scandal and supported George U. Harvey for borough president. Harvey then appointed him commissioner of public works, in which position he had charge of all paving done in the borough. In political circles the resignation was viewed as a near-fatal blow to Harvey's chances for re-election.

Demand Mayor Reinstate Yergan to Post

Harlem Parley Scores Dismissal of Noted Negro Scholar

A vigorous demand that Dr. Max Yergan, Negro scholar recently from the City College staff, be immediately reinstated was made yesterday upon Mayor LaGuardia and Ordway Tead, president of the Board of Higher Education.

The dismissal was termed "an attack upon academic freedom" and upon a "leader of the Negro people" in a resolution adopted by 75 delegates of 26 civic and labor organizations.

The resolution scoring the dismissal and demanding reinstatement was adopted at a conference Saturday at the Harlem YMCA, 180 West 135th St., and was made public yesterday simultaneous with its transmission to the mayor.

Speakers at the meeting that adopted the resolution included the Rev. John W. Robinson, head of the Permanent Committee for Better Schools in Harlem; Dr. Yergan; Assemblyman Hulan E. Jack, Harlem Democrat, and Morris U. Schappes, suspended City College tutor.

The resolution said, in part: "The dismissal of Dr. Max Yergan from his position as lecturer at the College of the City of New York is looked upon by us as an attack upon academic freedom, freedom of thought, and an attack upon an outstanding scholar and leader of the Negro people."

"In view of these facts, it becomes clear that Dr. Yergan's dismissal is a brazen attack upon an educator who, as president of the National Negro Congress, chairman of the Council on African Affairs, has fought for the fullest democracy for his people."

"We therefore urge: '1.—The immediate reinstatement of Dr. Yergan to the faculty of C.C.N.Y."

"2.—That you publicly declare your policy on the appointment of Negro scholars and educators to the faculties of the four municipal colleges."

"3.—That courses in Negro History be introduced in all four municipal colleges and an advanced course in Negro History and Culture in C.C.N.Y."

"4.—That Negro members be appointed to the Board of Higher Education."

Jaffee Freed On Bail in Oklahoma

Assails Frameup Verdict in Speech Before Sentence

For the second time in less than five months, Eli Jaffee, 36, third of the twelve defendants in the Oklahoma criminal syndicalism cases to be sentenced to ten years and \$5,000 fine, was freed last night on bail supplied by the International Labor Defense, it was announced by that organization yesterday.

Jaffee was thrown back into prison last Thursday, after having been free on \$5,000 bail since December, 1940, by Judge Lucius Babcock, who sentenced him to ten years and \$5,000 fine and then without warning raised his bail to \$7,500. This additional bail making a total of \$12,000 was supplied by the ILD which obtained Jaffee's release.

Before passing sentence the court overruled defense motions for a new trial on the grounds that by his own admission, Judge Babcock had left the county while the Jaffee trial was still in session, thus under Oklahoma law, invalidating any verdict the jury might bring in. When Judge Babcock asked Jaffee if he had anything to say before he was sentenced, Jaffee replied:

JAFFEE SPEAKS

"The sentence that is about to be passed upon me is not a sentence against me as an individual; but is directed rather against all ordinary people and their families. . . .

"I think, Your Honor, I have a right to know—if I am to serve ten years in the state penitentiary—just what crime I committed. I have tried to help the unemployed of Oklahoma. Is that a crime? I have tried, as best I could, to champion the rights of the working people. Is that a crime? I have tried to help the young people among us, taking up their problems, trying to help them find some way out for their critical problems. Is that a crime?"

"For some ten years, I have been active among young people, not only in this state but in other states as well—in the Boy Scout movement and others. I have held for freedom and justice for all, the Negro people as well as the white. I want to know if that's a crime too?"

"I would like to challenge Mr. Eberle to tell me when and where I actually committed acts of force and violence. I think the record will show, Your Honor, that force and violence has been used against me and my people rather than us advocating force and violence. I have spoken at many meetings here in Oklahoma City and before the City Council; before the County Commissioners; before the Governor of the state. Nowhere have I advocated or urged the commission of crime."

"I believe in the intelligence and integrity of the American people themselves to choose their way of life. If there are crimes, I guess I am guilty."

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Speed-up in Washington



Victims of Speed-up: Miss Edith Belcher (left) 22-year-old worker in the card punching division of the Census Bureau. Employed by the Census Bureau since September, 1940, Miss Belcher had to quit work last April for medical treatment. Advised to do lighter work, she was told such tasks would be given her when available. Miss Virginia Allen (above) 28, tells her story to Dr. Alphons Hanton, chairman of the Labor committee of the National Negro Congress.

Welcomed by White Workers Says Negroes

Men and Women Hired in Job Fight Blast Falsehoods

It is usually the boss, and neither the union nor the individual worker, who is guilty of barring Negroes from jobs in industry, Mrs. Dorothy K. Punn, of the Brooklyn Council, National Negro Congress, declared Saturday night at an assemblage of Negro workers for whom the Congress had found jobs in industry.

Her statement was made in refutation of the excuse, often given by employers, that whites will not work with Negroes or that the union is to blame for the absence of Negroes on the job.

Mrs. Punn presented a list of about 40 Negro workers who had succeeded with the help of the National Negro Congress in getting jobs in industries formerly closed to them. She showed that in every instance the union supported the applicant for the job and that white and Negro workers, once they had established relations in the shop, got along well together.

Several of the 14 workers present spoke of their experiences in shops where previously Negroes had never been employed. Some explained the methods they used in approaching men and women they described as "backward" about accepting their Negro fellow worker as an equal.

The jobs which the Congress, with the help of the trade unions, had procured for Negro workers, Mrs. Punn said, were in almost all instances inferior to the jobs for which these young people were qualified. Charles W. Bingham was named as one of those whose training fitted him for more highly skilled work at higher pay than he was able to get.

Bingham lives at 81 Chauncey St., Brooklyn, and has been porter in a theatre, hotel dishwasher and busboy. For a while, following his graduation from Pratt Institute's School for Science and Technology, Bingham worked for the National Youth Administration as draughtsman and designer. Later he completed a three-year course at Pratt in mechanical engineering. He holds a pilot's license.

Bingham's story of attempts to get jobs was a recital of rebuffs and insults. Through efforts of the National Negro Congress and in its job campaign and assisted by the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America, Local 1224, CIO, he got his present job, operating a power press, which makes sheet metal into forms. He says he is the only Negro in the shop but that he gets along well with the other workers.

Thelma Vaccianne, of 4 Decatur St., Brooklyn, had been without work for six months when the National Negro Congress and the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America, Local 1224, CIO, got her a job with the David Karop Corporation as operator of a power press machine making pocketbook frames.

Her wages, too, are low, she says, but \$14 a week is better than no wages. Most of the girls in that industry are now Negroes, she says, white girls having moved along to jobs which pay a slightly higher minimum. The white girls were not used to working with Negro girls, Miss Vaccianne says, but they are coming around all right. She has been on this job two and a half months.

Whitney Parker, 127 Biddle St., Jersey City, now working at the Solar Manufacturing Co., Bayonne, N. J., at \$23 weekly, also got his job through the National Negro Congress and the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America.

He averred that many white workers are at first "bashful" or "timid" of the Negro who enters their shop. He said that he made the first move in his new place of employment to overcome this "backwardness" on the part of the whites.

"The relationship between us now is fine," Parker ended.

Census Bureau Girls Contract Disease Caused by Heavy Work

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 27.—Myositis, an occupational disease carrying with it the danger of permanent disfigurement, one of the evils prevalent among workers in the machine tabulation division of the United States Census Bureau, is the subject of an investigation undertaken by the Washington National Negro Congress in conjunction with Local 23 of the United Federal Workers of America, CIO.

The NNC revealed here yesterday that 20 Negro and white girls employed as card punchers in this division of census work had been stricken with this disease and face the prospect of never again being able to earn a living at the same type of work.

Physicians have identified occupational Myositis as an inflammatory condition of the muscle fibers caused by undue strain. In severe cases it results in the development of a ganglion or swelling on the tendon or nerve fibre, necessitating an operation to obtain relief.

REPORT SCORES HIT Since last January, the Negro Congress report indicated, scores of young women workers found suffering from this occupational disease have been forced to stop working. In the majority of cases, after treatment by United States Public Health Service physicians, the victims have been informed that although they are eligible for other kind of work, they must give up card punching.

These girls have neither been assigned to other jobs, nor been accorded compensation during their period of illness.

The Jim-Crow policy operating in the Census Bureau, the Negro Congress revealed, has kept 95 per cent of the employed Negroes on card-punching machines, which is considered the most difficult work in the Bureau.

JIM-CROW POLICY While some 50 per cent of the white workers released from work in this department in the past have been offered jobs in other branches of the Bureau, NOT ONE OF THE MORE THAN 200 NEGRO WORKERS WHO HAVE BEEN LET OUT DURING THE PAST THREE MONTHS, HAS RECEIVED AN OFFER OF ANOTHER JOB.

The National Negro Congress and Local 23 have been conducting a campaign since last February to remedy the Jim-Crow situation in the Census Bureau, which even excludes Negro workers from using the cafeteria with white workers.

The report released by the NNC and Local 23 graphically described the speed-up plan in effect in this department of the Census Bureau:

"For seven hours each day, the girls transfer information from the 1940 Census schedules to cards which are later tabulated by machine. The card-punch machine has a 10-key board, operated by three fingers of the right hand. Great pressure is required to operate these particular machines, which are the oldest existing machines of the mechanical type. (It has been estimated that it requires 10 to 12 pounds of pressure to move one key on these machines, which become obsolete by the introduction of the electric machine.)"

GET SUB-STANDARD PAY "The card punch operators in the Census Bureau are the only group of government workers paid on a piece-work scale, and until recently even the base pay was 50 cents a day less than standard pay for this work. With partial completion of the 1940 census, the card-punch division is reducing its force, dismissing — se employees who are punching fewer cards."

"Thus the girls are forced to compete with each other for job tenure and a new speed-up, over and above that created by the piece-work method of payment and the stepped-up quotas."

"Do this work under these conditions for one 7-hour day and your arm will ache. It will be better by the next morning. But do such work for weeks and months and continuous pain will most likely result. You will have contracted the

"new silicosis" of the government service—occupational myositis. . . . Ventilation in the huge card-punch offices, originally designed as a warehouse, used to be so bad that fainting and heat exhaustion were prevalent in the hot summer months. Successful union protest resulted in the installation of fans."

UNION PROGRAM

The report outlined the 5-point program of the union, which would eliminate the disease hazard to these workers: (1) Compensation payments must be speeded up; (2) The Bureau has the moral obligation to provide lighter work for injured girls who are able to do such work.

until they are well enough to return to punching; (3) the Bureau must not force injured girls to compete for their jobs and efficiency ratings at the machines; (4) official leave to be granted short-term absence due to injury, when these absences are not of sufficient duration to qualify the employees for compensation, and when they exhaust the accrued sick leave. No vacation "docking" for convalescing from injuries incurred on the job; (5) those girls who have suffered permanent limitation of their work capacity should be provided with a permanent appointment to work they can perform.

Negro Congress Answers Dies' Stooze Charges

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 27.—Characterizing as "silly" the charge of a Dies Committee investigator that the campaign for jobs for Negroes at the Glenn L. Martin aircraft factory near Baltimore seeks to "sabotage" defense production through the "infiltration of Negro Communist workers," the Washington Council of the National Negro Congress, sponsor of the campaign today called upon Negro citizens to renew their fight for jobs in defense industries. The Dies Committee charge, which the Congress statement called a "vicious slander against the Negro people," was made at Committee hearings Thursday.

The Glenn L. Martin Co., to which reference is made, is working on more than \$300,000,000 worth of government defense contracts. It employs some 17,000 workers, but refuses to hire a single Negro.

For several weeks, the Washington Council of the Negro Congress has conducted a protest picket line around the Office of Production Management.

Fred Bassett Blair, state chairman of the Communist Party, described the fight put up by the people of Wisconsin against repressive legislation. He lashed out at the Hitler-like behavior of the Wisconsin "Little Dies" Committee.

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Have you been worrying about what Miss Frances Foley Gannon, New York Bureau of Consumers Service Director, last week mildly called "the general upward trend in the different classes of food-stuffs, due to the war?" In other words, is the effect of war profiteering on your dinner table bringing you grey hairs before your time?

If so, Miss Gannon has strange comfort for you—or maybe you listened to her last week yourself, when she gave one of her regular babble of advice to "home-makers" over Station WNYC.

Said Miss Gannon, cooing gently, "The impression that because a certain food commands high prices it must be either more wholesome or more appetizing than another food, which is substantially lower in cost, is held by nothing too many of our homemakers. Nothing could be further from the truth. Prices are almost entirely controlled by supply and demand."

So what about butter, Miss Gannon? What do you suggest we should do about butter, with the prices climbing past the wildest dreams of the profiteers, the storage vats running over with enough butter to grease all the griddles in America, and the cows still busy in the clover and the milking sheds? What is to take the place of butter's vitamins on our children's bread?

And what about eggs? And what about meat? And what about sugar? And string beans, and asparagus, and all the rest?

Says Miss Gannon, "Many people prefer a savory dish of baked mackerel. . . . Furthermore, we 'should not overlook dried prunes and dried beans,' though she admits 'This may seem to you a late season to remind you of these foods.'"

We agree that both beans and prunes have a useful service to fulfill—most of us are too, too, familiar with it already. But she prattles on, trying to make these fillers-up of the hungry soul alluring, referring to the "attractive lustre" of prunes, and stating, "The dry varieties of beans are many, and the names by which they are called are very colorful," and ending with the sage advice, "for good health at low cost, serve these foods more regularly."

All of which brings us to the point. Suppose you listen in to Miss Gannon from time to time, and drop her a card quite often, at least as often as she gives advice of this brand. You might tell her that you are one "homemaker" who would like the Consumers Service to serve the consumers as it is supposed to do—to fight against the food profiteers and bring prices down instead of trying to make poor women shoppers contented with a diet limited to fish, beans and prunes.

As a matter of fact, we think a whole blizzard of postcards addressed to Miss Gannon would be well worth while.



Violet-colored clothes being shown will probably look good on you if your skin is clear and rosy. Here's a violet linen sack suit, with a blouse of polka-dotted silk handkerchiefs—a n up-to-the-minute outfit for spring week-ends if you can afford it.

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Eire Balks a Churchill Scheme

The Irish nation stood up to Winston Churchill and made him back down.

Within twenty-four hours after the De Valera government, echoing the sentiments of Eire, denounced the proposal to conscript Ulster Irishmen, the British government hastily pulled in its horns and decided to withdraw the plan.

No sugar-coated propaganda can convince the Irish nation or their Irish-American kin in the United States that the British empire is fighting a just war. Eire knows the lash of British greed and tyranny.

Equally do the Irish realize the hideousness of Nazi rule. They are opposed to both sides in this imperialist war.

Churchill's "invasion" of Eire was balked no doubt also by the aroused indignation of the Irish-American community in this country. This community can contribute much to the efforts of its fellow-Americans to keep the country out of the imperialist war. The defense of Eire's neutrality against the aggressions of London is an integral part of the American people's fight for peace.

The War Drive Is A Lynch Drive

By indicting both sides in the European conflict and by scoring the war drive at home, the 160 Negro leaders, who made public a statement yesterday, struck at the roots of "defense" discrimination and increasing terror against the Negro Americans.

Their statement is of great significance. It represents a real cross-section of the Negro people—including labor, clergymen, business men, fraternal, civic and educational people. It exposes the recent hypocritical declaration of the 60 pro-war signers by showing that that declaration was only to cajole Negro support of the Administration's war program and to sell papers. For since the war program means a sacrifice of the fight for Negro rights, no one who deliberately supports this program can really fight for the anti-lynching and anti-poll tax bills, for jobs or for the Negro's full citizenship.

The representative character of the signers makes clear that the handful of Negro Social-Democrats and reformists—among them A. Philip Randolph and Walter White—are not speaking for the Negro people in supporting the President's war policy, but for the capitalist war-mongers and jim-crow enemies of the Negro. The surrender of these leaders to the war program makes their alleged fight on job-discrimination a sham.

If this statement had called for the President to declare war, the metropolitan newspapers would have headlined it. But since it was concerned with the rights of the Negro people, peace and with democracy, almost the entire press suppressed it. The New York Times, for example, which is always making fake gestures toward the Negro people, showed its true colors by not printing one word on it.

The whole fight for jobs, equality and Negro rights will receive encouragement from this statement. Labor and progressives will see in it fresh inspiration for closer unity with the Negro people in the interests of real democracy and peace.

Not Authorized to Speak For the AFL Workers

The statement of the AFL Executive Council issued on the eve of the President's speech was a disgraceful piece of belly-crawling before the war-makers.

The AFL leaders pledged the support of the entire Federation in advance to any step the President would take and announced that the AFL members were ready to make any sacrifices that would be asked of them.

William Green and the rest of the Executive Council are not authorized to make such statements. They do not speak for the membership.

The latest piece of evidence of the growing dissatisfaction of the rank and file with the top leaders of the Federation is to be seen in the results of the recent referendum in the Brotherhood of Carpenters, second largest unit in the AFL.

In this referendum, the powerful Hutchison machine sustained a series of defeats

on a number of reactionary amendments to the constitution, intended to strengthen the hand of the ruling clique still further and weaken trade union democracy and the welfare of the members. Some of the amendments, which required a two-thirds majority, were defeated by such impressive votes as 62,834 (against) to 32,820 (for).

Other evidence of the gap between the views of the workers and the Executive Council is to be seen in the West Coast machinists' strike and the widespread unrest among the railroad workers. The vote of the Typographical Union on re-affiliation to the Federation, although still in the process of being tallied, already reflects tremendous opposition to the policies of the AFL Executive Council.

The rank and file of the AFL generally supports the progressive policies of the CIO. The AFL workers are as much opposed to the stand of the Executive Council on the issue of peace as on economic questions. They are firmly opposed to convoys and war and Green cannot "pledge" away this opposition.

A Time to Recall Pledges

President Roosevelt has issued a proclamation that 1,250,000 more American youth must register on July 1. As these young men comply with the conscription law, the country will witness another step of the Administration to place the country on a super-militarization basis.

When the draft law was first passed, it was pledged by the Administration that these men were not going to war, that they were to defend the country against invasion, and that their period of training would be for one year.

Nothing was said about a new AEF, convoys, the seizure of Dakar on the West Coast of Africa, or Martinique in the Caribbean. But since that time, unofficial spokesmen for the President have been talking openly about convoys, the outright taking of both Dakar and Martinique, to say nothing of the intensification of the whole aid-to-Britain policy which is involving the country further and further in the European slaughter.

It would be well for the parents and youth of the land to remind the President of these original "promises." The very fact that 1,250,000 more young men are to be brought into the army can remind the people to fight more staunchly than ever to get and keep America out of this conflict.

Dr. Gallup's 'Difficulties'

Speaking over the radio Sunday, Dr. Gallup told how difficult it was to frame the questions properly in his "surveys."

Anyone who followed the Gallup "results" will understand the Doctor's difficulties. For surely, the contortions involved in framing questions that will always give the desired results (war, convoys, etc.) must be very taxing.

Asked about the method of financing the poll, Dr. Gallup said it was financed by 100 newspapers. This answer does not clarify this important question and the people will want further light shed on the how and the why behind this poll.

They Appreciate Laval's Motives

Pierre Laval's plea for a "united Europe" was given some prominence in the newspapers yesterday. Of course, since this "united Europe" as outlined by Laval would be dominated by German imperialism, the newspapers here did not cotton to Mr. Laval's arguments. But, at the same time, the press did not dare to reveal to its readers the full measure of Laval's treason to France, nor the exact way in which Laval brought France into Hitler's prison-house.

The secret of Laval's political infamy is to be found in his hatred of the Soviet Union, his dread of the French working class leading France to Socialism.

"I saw back in 1935," he told the Hearst press in a recent interview, "that the coming fight in Europe was between fascism and Bolshevism. I chose fascism." (April 17.)

There is not a big capitalist anywhere in the world who does not sympathize and approve of the sentiment.

Laval was ready to betray France and its people to the merciless yoke of an invader because he figured that this was necessary to crush the French working class and Socialism, necessary to preserve his private fortune and crooked profits.

The New York Herald Tribune editorially disagrees with Laval's going over to Hitler only because it desired that Laval should have joined with the London-Wall Street gang. But the Herald Tribune nevertheless "understands" the motives of Laval and does not denounce these motives.

For the Tribune itself, just as the rest of the capitalist world, approved what Laval was doing when he betrayed Ethiopia, Spain, tore up the French-Soviet treaty and prepared for Munich. The crimes of a Laval are the mirror of the crimes that London and Wall Street have already committed and the worse infamies still to come. A Laval, a Churchill, a Bullitt, a Hitler—all birds of a feather wrangling over plunder.

2,800 MEN DIE



THE HOOD AND THE BISMARCK

Within three days, the world's largest battleship, the Hood, and the world's reputedly most powerful battleship, the Bismarck, have been destroyed.

Three thousand men—about 1,500 on each side—were destroyed with them.

But this is far from the end. New horrors, new drownings are being planned this very minute. The rulers of the capitalist countries have nothing else to offer to their peoples but more destruction, more death.

Where did German fascism get a battleship like the Bismarck?

It was practically handed to the Nazis by the British Government which yesterday had to destroy it. In the Anglo-German Naval Agreement of 1935, Hitler was permitted by Britain to rebuild the shattered German

navy. Britain's hope was that Hitler would use the Bismarck against the Soviet Union in the Baltic Sea; this was the first big step toward Munich.

As for the Hood, this giant sea-fortress last distinguished itself in the blockade of Republican Spain, where it was a weapon in the hands of the Chamberlain "non-intervention" conspiracy.

The Hood and the Bismarck were weapons in the hands of ruthless, profit-crazy imperialist governments.

Is it the fate of mankind to be destroyed by such monsters of destruction in order to decide whether this or that imperialist group shall lash the backs of the African, European and Asiatic peoples? We are sure that mankind will disappoint the plans of the imperialists on this point.

Italian Communists Demand End to War, Blast Nazi Military Occupation

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from them by carabinieri for delivery to Germany.

"Fascism promised the youth 'a place in the sun' and the transformation of Italy into a powerful and respected country. The noblest sentiments of the Italian youth, their love for their native land, have been abused for the sake of oppressing other peoples and robbing them of their liberty for the enrichment of the Italian capitalists. Fascism drove the youth of Italy to slaughter and threw away tens of billions of money in order to wage war against the unarmed Ethiopian people, to help the reactionary clique in Spain to stifle the aspirations of the Spanish people for freedom, to oppress Albania, to fulfill the criminal military pact that transforms it into a slave of German imperialism.

"That is how it has exhausted the country, driven it into misfortune, led it to defeat and national humiliation, and is making of it today a vassal of a foreign power. Fascism is the grave digger of the Italian youth and at the same time the grave digger of our country. The time has come when the Italian people, if it is to emerge from its present tragic situation, must say its word, must take its destiny into its own hands.

"Fascism has spread discord and division among the people, thus enabling the reactionary cliques to maintain their domination, to unleash war, to bring the country to the brink of catastrophe. Fascism has hounded the peasants and small producers against the workers, spread hatred against the revolutionary proletariat, against the Communists, in that it falsely pictured them as enemies of the nation and drove the Socialists, Catholics and Democrats into exile.

"The time has come for these working people who have till now in good faith supported fascism, to understand that the unity of all healthy and vital forces of the country is necessary if we are to prevent catastrophe from overwhelming it. Fascism deliberately deceives people when it asserts that the working class does not understand the interests of the nation.

The workers are interested above all in seeing that the country is saved from ruin. That is why they wage a struggle against the egoism and greed of the ruling capitalist class, against the corruption and tyranny of fascism so as to restore freedom and peace to the people.

"The Communists entertain no hatred towards those working people who have in the past been deceived by fascism and who today in the face of the tragic lessons of facts are beginning to see the truth. We stretch out our hand of comradeship to these working people; but we are and always have been irreconcilable enemies of the big capitalists, speculators and adventurers who exploit, receive and oppress the people.

"We too those who wish today to maintain disunity among the people. We too those who desire forcibly to prevent the people from bringing to book those who are responsible for its miseries and misfortunes. Enough of lies! Enough of crimes! Enough of war! Fling out the culprits, those who are responsible for this war and for the military defeats! Fling out the lackeys of German imperialism! Power must pass today into the hands of a government that emerges from the people and bases itself on a people's government that offers guarantees that immediate steps will be taken to find the way out of the present situation so as to prevent the utter ruin of the country.

"In this situation, so decisive for the life and future of our country, the Italian people need a government that is in a position to adopt the following and similar urgent measures of salvation:

"1. Cancellation of the military pact concluded between Italian fascism and German imperialism; cessation of military operations; recall of the Italian troops quartered beyond its borders; negotiations to be undertaken regarding a peace that guarantees the integrity, independence and honor of our country.

"2. German troops to quit Italian territory so that the Italian people may again achieve peace and freely decide their destiny and future.

"3. Freedom for the peoples of Albania, Libya and Ethiopia; inde-

pendence of all colonial peoples from the yoke of any foreign imperialism whatsoever.

"4. Immediate dissolution of the fascist militia.

"5. Restoration of constitutional guarantees and people's liberties; restoration of election of municipal councils and city mayors by the people; liberation of all political prisoners and deportees (those 'deported' to the penal islands).

"6. Return to the eight-hour working day without wage reductions; general check up of collective agreements and free elections to all trade union posts.

"7. Confiscation of grain and other foodstuffs in possession of the big landlords and their associations; establishment of real popular control over the distribution of important prime commodities. Prohibition of export to Germany of such agricultural products as are necessary for the feeding of the people.

"8. Against requisitioning and compulsory delivery of agricultural products; release of working peasants from debts, levies and taxation. Allocation of land to the landless and poor peasants at the expense of the big landowners.

"9. Confiscation of all war profits; confiscation of the wealth expropriated from the people by the fascist bigwigs; a capital levy so as to satisfy the needs of all war victims and guarantee bread and work to all working people.

"10. Establishment of real and close friendly relations with the Soviet Union, great land of socialism, bulwark of all peoples in their struggles for peace.

"The future of our country depends today on the fulfillment of such a program.

"The Communist Party calls on the soldiers, workers, agricultural laborers and peasants, it calls on all Italians who love their country and are concerned today with the future of their fatherland; to close their ranks and wage a resolute struggle for a speeding ending of the war, for freedom, well-being and the independence of the Italian people."

The Manifesto is signed by the Communist Party of Italy and the Young Communist League of Italy.

Soviet Latvia Makes Rapid Progress Under Socialism

(By Wireless to Inter-Continental News)

RIGA, Latvia, May 27.—Professor A. Kirchensteins, president of the Presidium of the Latvian Supreme Soviet, in a review today of progress in his country since its incorporation into the USSR, declared that "the young Republic is experiencing an exceptional upsurge of creative activity" in all fields of endeavor.

Tremendous strides in agriculture, industry, science and culture have been made, he declared.

Speaking at a press conference, the professor said that "the land reform carried out since the establishment of Soviet power has radically changed every aspect of our agriculture. Landless peasants and farm laborers have received a total of 2,373,000 acres of land."

This year, he reported, the peasants will be granted state credits totalling 25 million rubles for the purchase of fertilizers and live stock.

On the industrial front, he said that all production plans have been over-fulfilled, with more than 160,000 workers and office employees participating in a system of Socialist emulation to increase output.



A. KIRCHENSTEINS

EDUCATIONAL ADVANCES

New schools and educational institutions, he said, now surpass all comparison with former conditions, and education "has been made accessible to all the people."

In the field of public health the government has this year allocated 143 million rubles for the medical needs of the population.

"Considerable new achievements," he said, "can be credited to Latvian scientists. The problems and research in which they are engaged are of importance for the whole Soviet Union."

He reported that a recent Therapeutics Conference in Kharkov, which he attended, "heard three reports on important new discoveries in the field of vitamins by Latvian scientists."

A similar development of creative work can be noted, he said, among Latvian artists, who at present are preparing for a forthcoming festival of Latvian art to be held in Moscow.

(Wireless to Inter-Continental News)

BUKOVINA, May 27.—The development of new enterprises and increases in industrial output has boosted the number of employed workers in this new Soviet territory from 15,000 to 32,000 since its incorporation into the Soviet Union, it was reported today.

Letters From Our Readers

Mr. Wilson's Disciple

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

In a book called "The New Freedom," by Woodrow Wilson, there is a passage where the author frankly admits that "wars are brought on by the rulers and not by the people." And of course this is true.

No one should overlook the fact that both Mr. Wilson and his able disciple in the art of phrasemaking, Mr. Roosevelt, seldom acted in accordance with the ideas or principles they so eloquently professed.

For had they been honest in upholding their words, this country would have been spared the stupendous disaster of her futile participation in World War I and would not be now subjected to the terrible pressure of an officially inspired propaganda designed to break down the people's will to stay out of the second imperialist war.

A. G. D.

'Prison Walls Cannot Keep Love and Devotion From You'

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The following is a letter our group sends to Comrade Browder:

"Prison walls a thousand feet high cannot keep our love and devotion from you. Our group celebrated your birthday by growing 10 per cent bigger. Two of our neighbors joined the vanguard of the struggle for your liberation."

MANHATTAN GROUP.

Birthday Greeting

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Enclosed is copy of a telegram we sent to Earl Browder:

"Heartiest congratulations. Your influence is growing among those who barely knew you."

E. N. F. C.

'Something's Got to Be Done About It'

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

On warm days the park benches are crowded and one can often find through conversations how the workers feel about war and peace and the cost of living.

I usually take the Daily Worker to read when sitting in the park, and sometimes use one of its news items or pictures to start a conversation with someone of my own sex, a woman or girl, sitting next to me. Recently I started talking to a Negro nursemaid who was reading the editorial page of the Times while her young charge slept. As we talked it turned out that she had purchased the Daily Worker a number of times on her way home from work. She began to read my copy and grew indignant with the way labor is exploited in India as she read the Workers' Correspondence Dept.

She said: "It seems like some of us have to work so hard all the time, and we get so little money, while a few rich people just have everything. And so many people out of work in this rich country, it's a shame! And then this war! Something's got to be done about it."

P. R.

's, Views, Gossip Filmland's Capital

By Charles Glenn

OLLYWOOD.—A Paramount publicity hack's sense of humor almost got him murdered last week. With confusion uppermost in the minds of the 21-35 year old crowd, this genius sent out invitations to Paramount's preview of "Caught in the Draft" which, alone, should put that picture in the doghouse for good.

The "invitations" began with "You are hereby ordered to appear (at such and such a point) for induction . . ." and then went on to point out the recipient was to be inducted into the preview. Many a deferred critic's heart did nip-up, and Paramount built not one ounce of goodwill.

Little Sir Himmier

The lavish set-up of 20th Century Fox has become a prisonhouse of notions . . . Roosevelt notions. When at Fox do as Zanuck says, or else.

Coppers at the ornate propaganda factory have been ordered to keep their ears and eyes open for seditious talk of peace and democracy. TCF employees, you might guess correctly, are scared. Either you clam up or take the Zanuck boot. Gullible employees who fell for the "neutral" line are now convinced differently.

Last week, a letter signed by Darryl himself went to various "dependables" in the production department of the studio. The Biggs were told the "Lindbergh" (Zanuck's smear for all peace fighters) were too articulate, wrote too many letters and something had to be done. Therefore the thing to do was to sit down and write to PDR assuring him the American people just love the thought of convoys and war.

Nope. The letter did not go to ordinary workers.

Watch That Right!

A preliminary check affords us no definite information, but something is upcoming which doesn't look on the up and up. It's an organization called, "The League of Young Americans, Inc." It has been formed in the east. The board of directors is E. Markey Pullen, M. D., John Paulding Farnham, Herbert Noble, Jr., Robert P. MacFadden and Charles A. Smylie.

The League is backing the formation of an orchestra of 100, to be known as "The Young American's Orchestra." The orchestra will be led by Raymond Paige, who is giving up a juicy four weeks contract with the Ford Hour for this job.

That it is a job is quite apparent since Paige will audition, according to trade papers, through the summer and longer. He has allowed his contract with Columbia Artists Bureau to lapse. The League of Young Americans, Inc., has retained the advertising agency of Rosendouens to take care of the publicity.

The 100 youngsters picked up by Paige will be paid full union scale for their rehearsals and appear-

ances. As I say, it might be okay, but I can find no one who has heard of any of the people involved except the corny Mr. Paige, and there is obviously a whole bunk of cash behind it. Enough cash to afford a 1/3 page ad in variety.

From the Training Camps

There has been a lot of news on entertainment in the training camps, or rather, the lack of entertainment in the training camps. What entertainment there is to be will be governed by a gang of money boys headed by Thomas Dewey. That way there will be nothing "undesirable" presented.

Word comes now, via a draftee, that there is a method in this Wall Street madness. The word is that the boys, without entertainment are being fed a big psychological dose of restlessness and a will to do anything, even fight, to get away from the deadening monotony. The draftee says the army's "we must fight" psychology, together with the planned instilling of restlessness is having some effect.

In the meantime, all entertainment plans remain "just talk," unless the \$21-a-month conscripta want to go off the post and dish out a third of the day's pay for a show.

If this were a real democratic army fighting for real democratic ideals, there would be plenty of entertainment and education, enough to keep the morale of the men high. Since these boys are fighting for Wall Street and not democracy, the tactic is to break their morale. And the army's doing its damndest.

Debt and Taxes

If the amusement Mr. Biggs would peep once in a while into the columns of this paper they'd find that the people are being taxed to death, face a much higher cost of living and are spending many an evening fighting for peace and against the HOOL (High Cost of Living).

This would explain to the Mr. Biggs why, despite reports of a "defense boom," people are staying away from the theatres. Show business enjoyed an odd, inexplicable boom during Lent and Easter week, generally the coldest business period of the year. Then, contrary to all previous experience, business flopped on Easter Monday and has stayed flopped ever since.

Indicative of the lag in show business is the fact that theatre admission taxes dropped from the March figure of \$7,105,966 to an April "take" of \$5,627,394, or a decrease of \$1,477,562.

Camp Unity Plans Summer Entertainment

With a talented, peppy, staff of actors and actresses, Camp Unity is opening with a theatrical bang for its Decoration Day program.

On Friday evening, the Almanac Singers and Joshua White, famous singer of Southwestern songs will perform. On the Saturday program is Tony Kraber, noted for his presentation of America's beloved cowboy songs.

A "Meet Our People" program will be presented Saturday night with Unity's whole staff participating. To be performed are "Brooklyn Cantata" written by George Klein-singer and Mike Stratton, a new saga of a Dodgers game; and "Shot the Scissors to Me Hymie," a take-off on the Hollywood censorship technique.

Lill Mann, modern theatrical dancer, will present "Old Paint" and "Mene, Mene Tekel." Saul Aarons will sing his ever popular "I'm Just a Capitalistic Boss" and a new number, and Lawrence Matkowsky will do several light piano numbers: "Fire Dance," by DeFalla, "Romantic Scene" by Granados and Spanish Dance by Albeniz.

Harold Gordon, who has appeared in "I'd Rather Be Right," "The American Way" and the World's Fair will sing "Johnny Appleseed" and "Ballad of the Working Children."

Sam Hirsch is dramatic director of the group. Other members of the staff include Rober Alvin of the Neighborhood Playhouse. Saralee Harris also of the Playhouse, Vicki Mousseoff of the Village Black Cat and Charles Polach who worked with the Chicago Repertory Theatre and appeared in "Two on an Island" and "No For an Answer." The scenic designer's important role is filled by Fritz Lans assisted by Irwin Green and Herbert Haufrecht, conductor of the American People's Chorus will be musical director.

Among the productions scheduled for the summer are "General and the Goats," "Willie and the Bombs" and original revue material.

Stage Notes

PHILADELPHIA.—The New Theatre of Philadelphia announces that the final public performance of "Zero Hour" will be given on Saturday, May 31.

"Zero Hour" which has proved to be the most popular of the group's offerings this season, tells the story of a college professor and his struggle to remain sane in a war-mad world. Prominent in the cast are Luis Cordano, Lynn Kelley, Ann Laskin, Joseph Strick and Ted Klugman. Norman Remort directed the production.

For those who were unable to see "Zero Hour," it will be good news to hear that New Theatre of Philadelphia has entered the play in the Willow Grove Park Little Theatre Contest, and is scheduled to perform on Thursday, Aug. 7. Tickets for this performance, and other little theatre performances, are now available at the New Theatre, 311 N. 16th Street.

Ned Wayburn is now holding auditions for the junior players' group which will be a new part of the Starlight Theatre season, opening July 1st.

Morris Carnovsky currently appearing in "My Sister Elsie," will appear as guest lecturer on "The Actor in the Theatre" in a Theatre Round Table on Tuesday evening, June 10.

Mr. Carnovsky is the second lecturer in a series sponsored by the New Theatre School, which includes: Ralph Martin, Anna Sokolow and Lem Ward on four Tuesdays in June.

Registration for the series or for individual lectures may be made at the New Theatre School, 110 West 47th Street.

SCULPTOR LOOKS AT STRUGGLE



"In Defense" a work in plaster by Aaron Goodelman, is one of the many pieces by outstanding New York artists which remain on view throughout this week at the Sculptor's Guild outdoor show in Greenwich Village, corner of 6th Ave. and 8th St.

Writers Can Defeat Cultural Blitzkrieg Against Latin America

The following statement was issued in connection with the signing of the Call to the Fourth American Writers Congress. The Congress will be held in New York at Hotel Commodore June 6-8 under the auspices of the League of American Writers. Signers of the Congress Call include Donald Ogden Stewart, Clifford Odets, Lillian Hellman, Ruth McKenney, Richard Wright, Orson Welles, and 150 other prominent American novelists, playwrights, poets, screen, radio and non-fiction writers.

By Samuel Putnam

"Southward in our hemisphere and westward in the Pacific the path of empire takes its way."

Here in a few salient words is an unabashed statement of the aims of North American imperialism in the present war. They were uttered by a leading intellectual spokesman of Wall Street, Dr. Virgil Jordan, in a speech before the Investment Bankers Association, at Hollywood, Florida, on Dec. 10 last. With a cynicism not often equalled, Dr. Jordan went on to describe how the people must be led, to how they must be "trained as though they were . . . incompetent inmates of some vast institution for the indigent and feeble-minded," and ended by avowing that "America has embarked upon a career of imperialism, both in world affairs and in every other aspect of her life."

It is in the light of this declaration (which the New Republic and other exponents of pro-war "liberalism" have chosen to ignore entirely, which they dare not recognize) that our relations with Latin America on the cultural plane, as posed by the sixth point of the 1941 Writers' Congress, must be evaluated. It is in this light that we must view the appointment of Nelson Rockefeller to his present post of Coordinator of Commercial and Cultural Relations between the American Republics for the Council of National Defense.

In view of what the name Rockefeller has meant, in blood and sweat and tears, to the peoples of the southern Americas, this appointment is a flagrant insult to those peoples. It is, moreover, in the very wording of Mr. Rockefeller's title, an act of aggression: the arrogating by President Roosevelt of the right to appoint a "coordinator" for the other American nations. Not to speak of the brazen linking of "commercial and cul-

tural relations."

The result is a cultural as well as commercial blitzkrieg, the former being led in good part by that propaganda minister of the Roosevelt-Rockefeller regime, Mr. Archibald MacLeish. True to fascist type, this drive is being devoted chiefly, not to the propagation of culture, but to the suppression of all true and vital cultural interchange. In the field of writing, it is works like Mr. MacLeish's "Irresponsibles" and President Conant's "Education for a Classless Society" that are being sent to Latin America, while the corresponding Latin American product is brought to us. There is, in other words, a definite attempt to palm off on either side a decadent, fast-tending ruling class "culture" as the one and only genuine article, while the great manifold many-hued people's cultures of this hemisphere, especially those of the Negro and the Indian, are studiously ignored.

Accordingly, as I see it, North American writers have laid upon them the duty of defeating this blitzkrieg. This, in the concrete, is what the defense of culture in the Western Hemisphere means at this moment. And here we must remember that the best defensive is an offensive. That means that this Fourth Writers' Congress must adopt a positive program of cultural interchange for the Americas, one based not upon war and imperialist aggression, but upon the principles of peace, freedom and universal democracy.

DISNEY ENTERS NEW FIELD

The release by RKO Radio Pictures of Walt Disney's "The Reluctant Dragon," marks Disney's entrance into a brand new field.

"The Reluctant Dragon" combines both "live-action" photography and animated pictures. Locals of this novel movie is the Disney studio itself, and for its star, Disney has chosen Robert Benchley.

Paul Robeson In New Masses Symposium

By Ralph Warner

The audience at the New Masses Theatre Night not only witnessed an evening of first rate entertainment—they were rewarded by the presence of Paul Robeson in the symposium. Mr. Robeson's defense of "Native Son" and his prospectus for a people's theatre were highlights of the three-hour program.

"As one who has worked in the commercial theatre," he said, "I can easily understand why a man who puts \$100,000 into a stage production doesn't want it to say anything. As a matter of fact, it is surprising that so many Broadway plays go as far as they do."

"The hope of the theatre, and it is a bright hope, rests with us. By that I mean it rests with groups such as those we have seen tonight, and with all the other countless theatre organizations in trade unions and communities. And in groups which express the aspirations of the people, and of such groups as the American Negro Theatre — and I'm going to see its show surely now."

"We have the key to the solution of the American theatre's problem. And it will be through this medium of the people—which should remain, so far as possible, away from Broadway and the commercial stage—that eventually will be built that theatre for the millions which the Federal Theatre was."

Other members of the symposium were Marc Blustein, Ruth McKenney, Lem Ward and the chairman of the evening, Lem Ward.

The audience keenly enjoyed the theatre events, which included scenes from "Zero Hour" and "Natural Man." "Natural Man's" great revival scene brought down the house in a storm of applause. The Radio Players presented an interesting sketch; the Almanac Singers sang their characteristic songs; and Marc Blustein played excerpts from "No for an Answer." Alvah Bessie, drama critic of the New Masses, acted as chairman.

'You'd Better Tell Them That You're a Failure'

By MIKE QUINN

TUNING in the radio haphazardly the other day I caught part of a dramatic series designed to sell soap flakes or hair oil or something. I may not remember the dialogue exactly, but it went about like this:

A man had lost his job and was moping around the house. An elderly aunt or sister or something tried to console him. The children were curious as to why their father was home so much of the time during the day, and why he seemed so unhappy and grouchy. The aunt (or whatever she was) told them he wasn't feeling well, and sent them out to play.

Then she had a heart to heart talk with the father. "Sooner or later," she said, "they are going to find out the truth, so you might as well tell them now."

"All right, tell them," he said bitterly. "Tell them that their father is a failure—a misfit—that he couldn't make the grade. Let them be ashamed of their father and learn to hate him."

The aunt told him not to lose confidence in himself—to step out and show he had the stuff.

"You'll get another job," she said. But he moaned that it was no use—that he was a "failure"—that he never would make a "success." And he implied by this that he wasn't fit to live.

Philosophy of Capitalism

The author of that radio play probably wasn't deliberately trying to propagandize capitalism. He probably doesn't even know what capitalism is. Very few people do. He was merely reflecting a habit of thought—an attitude that is pounded into the brains of Americans from the day of their birth. It is an attitude that is very seldom defined or examined, but embraces the meaning of the word "Americanism" to most of our people.

It is a vague philosophy which accepts without question the following premises:

That American democracy abolished all class distinctions and opened the door of unlimited opportunity to everyone alike.

That any man who has the brains and initiative can and will make a "success."

That "success" means material prosperity and wealth.

That the struggle for "success" is the fundamental concept of life.

That failure and poverty are marks of unintelligence and lack of character.

Poverty is a disgrace.

That the solution to poverty lies in educating the poor, strengthening their character and morals, and inspiring them to become industrious, thrifty and successful.

That if a man is poor the fault lies in himself.

That each individual works out his own destiny according to his merit.

That men deserve their economic fate.

That the good, the wise and industrious are rewarded by prosperity and "success."

That the lazy, incompetent, unintelligent and wicked are punished by poverty and that this poverty is deserved, though very regrettable.

That all economic misery or personal disaster can be explained, in simple terms of: "he should have done this," or "he made his mistake when he did such and such," or "if he had sense enough to do such and such a thing at such and such a time," etc.

That virtue, intelligence, merit and property go hand in hand with the individual, and therefore the only opinions worth listening to are those of wealthy and prominent men.

That if you had as much brains as the other fellow you'd be where he is now.

That the whole complexity of business, industry and finance is governed by moral laws of right and wrong rewarding or punishing the individual according to his merits.

That poverty and unemployment

Warner Brothers Will Establish Library of the Screen.

A Library of the Screen, with branches in its 300 theatres throughout the country, is to be established by Warner Bros. next fall. All the facilities and resources of the new nationwide institution will be available to the public without charge.

Each library will be stocked with material of direct application to the screen. It will contain novels and historical works already produced and yet to be produced by Warners and other studios, as well as texts and histories dealing with Hollywood and the making of motion pictures.

The libraries also will feature volumes of still photographs from famous Hollywood productions, including rare stills of many films of early nickelodeon days. The albums of photographs, will not be available for lending. Interested fans will be able to examine the valuable collections at the libraries.

Cavalcade of Song Will Aid Rural Workers

Earl Robinson and Will Geer will present "A Cavalcade of American Song" at Town Hall on Wednesday evening, June 4, for the benefit of the New York Committee for Aid to Agricultural Workers.

Ranging from songs sung during the American Revolution through the growth of the West and up to the present day, the program is intended to be the first presentation of a representative quantity of American song material staged as an entity. The songs will include sea chanteys, work songs, bad man ballads, marching songs, love lyrics, chain gang laments, spirituals, drinking songs, mountain tunes, dust bowl songs, and both early and modern blues.

Among those performing will be W. C. Handy, Burl Ives, Elsie Houston, Lead Belly, Tony Kraber, the Almanac Singers, Joshua White, Aunt Molly Jackson, the Deas of Iron, Michael Loring and the American People's Chorus.

That American democracy is a balanced system of freedom, opportunity and justice to all in which men and women get the fate they deserve according to their virtue, ability.

Contradictory Ideas

This is a habit of thought—an attitude of mind—an ideology that is woven into our literature, our plays, our school texts, our movies. It has been infused in our minds since childhood. Many persons who, upon examination, would deny that they hold those views are nevertheless influenced by them unconsciously.

The very man who blames himself for his fate will turn right around and agree with you that the newspapers are dishonest, that bankers are crooked, that Big Business is corrupt, that Senators and Congressmen are bought and sold by powerful interests, and that civic government is dominated by graft.

This type of mind accommodates both these contradictory philosophies without any effort to reconcile them. Many will also argue that there is absolutely nothing you can do about these evils, that human nature is essentially greedy and crooked, and that the thing to do is grab when the grabbing is good. If a man is cheated, they despise him as a "sucker" and often feel that the man who did the cheating was simply doing what any other man would do if he got the chance.

In some minds the philosophy of evil and the philosophy of good are woven right into one another. The "sucker" lacked brains, therefore he deserved his fate. He should have had better sense. A guy who "needs a nurse maid" and can't "take care of himself" merits little sympathy. This attitude is reflected very clearly in the movies, side-by-side with the moralistic faith in success by virtue.

MOTION PICTURES

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"Well worth seeing"—N. Y. Telegram
"A good daily treat"
"Refreshment, downright good fun"—N. Y. Times

Volga-Volga
Cost. daily from 19 A. M.—30c till 1 P. M. weekdays
MIAMI THEATRE
415 Ave. near 41 St.

PROUD VALLEY
with PAUL ROBESON
"It will thrill you"
"A masterpiece"
BUCK PRIVATE
Little Carnegie—57c
LAST DAYS

"THE NEW TEACHER"
and "First Film Concert"
Also SOVIET LITHUANIA

THE STAGE

Only "★★★★" (Maxine, New) in town
Mercury Production by Orson Welles
NATIVE SON
Play by Paul Green and Richard Wright
Play by Paul Green and Richard Wright
Tues. 8:30, 10:30, 12:30, 2:30, 4:30, 6:30, 8:30, 10:30
Eves. 8:30, 10:30, 12:30, 2:30, 4:30, 6:30, 8:30, 10:30

Air-Conditioned—CRITIC'S PRIZE PLAY
ETHEL BARRYMORE in THE CORN IS GREEN
NATIONAL THEATRE, 41st W. of W. F. R. 6-6533
Eves. 8:30, 10:30, 12:30, 2:30, 4:30, 6:30, 8:30, 10:30
MAIL ORDERS PROMPTLY FILLED

Air-Conditioned—CRITIC'S PRIZE PLAY
A New Play by LILLIAN HELLMAN
WATCH ON THE RHINE
with LUCILLE PAUL, MARY WATSON, and CHARLES CRILEY
MARTIN BECK THEATRE, 45 St. W. of 5 Ave.
Eves. 8:30, 10:30, 12:30, 2:30, 4:30, 6:30, 8:30, 10:30
MAIL ORDERS PROMPTLY FILLED

Talk on Parent and Child Relations, WABC at 3:45

Symphony Hall features the Beethoven Piano Concerto No. 5 in E. Flat over WQXR at 8 P.M. . . . Tchaikovsky Cycle continued on the WNYC Masterwork Hour at 9 A.M. and 7 P.M. . . . Donizetti's "Lucia di Lammermoor" heard over WNYC at 2:35 . . . Dramatized Short Story Classics over WJZ at 10 P.M. . . . Dr. Karen Horney, psychiatrist and author, speaks on relations between parent and child over WABC at 3:45.

- MORNING**
- 7:00-WNYC-Sunrise Symphony
 - 7:30-WQXR-Breakfast Symphony
 - 8:15-WFAP-Gene and Glenn
 - WABC-West Ad Column
 - WJZ-Variety Program
 - 8:30-WJZ-Ray Perkins
 - WFAP-Variety Show
 - 8:45-WABC-Woman's Page of the Air
 - 8:55-WNYC-Around New York with Hal Halpern
 - 9:00-WJZ-Woman of Tomorrow
 - WNYC-Masterwork Hour, Music of Tchaikovsky
 - WQXR-Your Request Program
 - 9:15-WABC-Oklahoma Cowboy
 - WFAP-Rhythmic Melodies
 - 9:30-WMCA-Food Parade
 - WJZ-Breakfast Club
 - WFAP-Market Basket
 - WABC-Southern Serenade
 - 10:00-WNYC-You and Your Child
 - 10:15-WQXR-Chamber Music
 - 10:30-WQXR-Salon Concert
 - WJZ-Cocktail Dinner, Tender
 - 10:45-WJZ-The Wife Beater
 - WNYC-Patterson Singers
 - 11:00-WMCA-Ide Bailey Allen's Woman's Hour
 - WOR-Trans-Radio News
 - WQXR-Charlier-Biraux Concert
 - WJZ-Vietnamese Ensemble
 - WABC-Treat Time
 - 11:10-WNYC-Falber Knickerbocker
 - WJZ-Suggests
 - 11:15-WOR-Woman's Program
 - WNYC-Dance Orchestra
 - 11:30-WQXR-Research for Listening
 - 11:45-WNYC-You and Your Health
- AFTERNOON**
- 12:00-WNYC-Midday Symphony, Midsummer Night's Dream
 - WFAP-Worlds and Music
 - WJZ-Southernaires
 - 12:05-WQXR-Composers Hour-Schubert
 - 12:15-WMCA-News
 - 12:30-WJZ-National Farm and Home Hour
 - WMCA-Jerry Baker, Songs
 - WFAP-Composers' Quiz
 - 1:00-WFAP-Born to Sings, Songs
 - WQXR-Luncheon Concert
 - 1:15-WMCA-Ray Aces
 - WJZ-Returned the Book Ends with Ted Malone
 - 1:30-WMCA-Sweetest Love Songs of Today
 - WNYC-Metropolitan Revue
 - WFAP-Frankie Masters
 - 1:45-WJZ-News
 - 2:00-WJZ-Navy Band
 - WNYC-News
 - 2:05-WNYC-Opera Matinee "Lucia di Lammermoor," Donizetti
 - 2:45-WQXR-Clyde Harris Singers
 - 3:00-WQXR-Music of the Moment
 - 3:15-WABC-Golden Treasury of Music
 - 3:30-WMCA-News
 - 3:35-WQXR-Know Your Museum
 - 3:50-WQXR-Bash Suite No. 2 in 3 Minor
 - 3:55-WFAP-Vic and Bado
 - WABC-Children Also Are People, Dr. Karen Horney
 - WNYC-News
 - 4:00-WABC-Son Hanson, Songs

CHARLIE IN CARICATURE



Charlie Chaplin, caricatured above, as Heinkel of "The Great Dictator" is starred at the Fifth Avenue Playhouse in the Chaplin Film Festival of his early comedies, now in its last week.

On The Score Board

That 'Gallop' Poll And Bee's All Time 5

By Lester Rodney

We have just received the results of the Gallop Poll on baseball. We can only say that they are truly sensational. Eighty-one per cent of the fans feel that the "PHILLIES WILL WIN THE NATIONAL LEAGUE PENNANT" in the event that the Cards, Dodgers, Reds, Giants, Pirates, Cubs and Bees all fail to do same. Nineteen per cent were undecided. The Gallop poll man explained that the question, while it may sound unfair on the face of it, is really logical, inasmuch as the odds are against any single team winning the pennant, and each of the above named teams is a single team.

A poll of the magnates disclosed them to be 100 per cent in favor of "ENDING DISCRIMINATION AGAINST NEGRO PLAYERS IN South Africa."

A smashing majority of 92 per cent of the fans agreed on the question that "BOB FELLER IS JUST A MEDIOCRE PITCHER without his fast ball."

An even higher total, 96 per cent, polled at the Polo Grounds agreed with the Gallop questionnaire that "BILL TERRY IS THE MOST POPULAR MANAGER THE GIANTS HAVE HAD SINCE JOHN J. MCGRAW," and also voted that "TERRY'S TRADES PROVE HIM A SHREWD JUDGE OF BALL PLAYERS," omitting the obviously unforeseen results of the Fitzsimmons for Baker deal and the Oumbert for McGee swap.

A poll of Commissioner Landis brought back a thumping 100 per cent verdict that "JUDGE LANDIS IS AN HONEST, FEARLESS, INDEPENDENT COMMISSIONER WITH AN EAR CAREFULLY ATTUNED TO THE WISHES OF THE FANS."

Gallop Pollers sent out to Cincinnati to determine if "A VICTORY OF THE REDS WOULD IMPERIL NATIONAL DEFENSE" and to Cleveland to get the sentiment on "SENDING THE INDIANS BACK WHERE THEY CAME FROM" have not yet reported. Nor has the Gallop man sent to get the sentiment of Pittsburgh fans on "DECLARING UNDECLARED WAR ON THE PIRATES" yet reported. A Washington poll asking if it were true that "THE SENATORS STOOD FOR PEACE AS STRONGLY AS THEY STAND IN THE AMERICAN LEAGUE" was hastily dropped when the Senators lost their eighth straight game.

We understand that another unpublished result was that of Yankee Stadium fans to the question, "DON'T YOU AGREE THAT THE YANKS ARE COMING?" It seems only two per cent of the fans said yes—and that was the two per cent that thought the question referred to baseball.

Bee Picks All Time Team

Clair Bee, coach of the Long Island University team that won the national basketball tourney here last winter (remember way back when you were overcoats?) was doing a little season reminiscing on his favorite game the other day, and while idly marking names down on a scrap of paper came up with no less than his idea of an All-Time All-American team.

His first team was Chuck Hyatt, Pittsburgh and Irv Torgoff of LIU, forwards; Joe Fortenberry of Rice, center; Mac Kinsbrunner, St. Johns and Hank Luisetti, Stanford at guards. Clair also decided on four reserves after a lot of mental wrestling. They are Ralph Vaughan of USC, Dutch Gunkel of St. John's, Lou Zera of Rider, and Phil Rabinowitz of LIU (known as Phil Rabin with the pros). He refused to add a fifth man to the second team just to prove how exact his calculations were. These are the nine, says Clair.

Well, I saw 'em all play except Hyatt, who was a little before my sports writing time, and I'm not one to argue too strenuously with Clair. (Not after what he did with Lobello, Schectman, Schwartz, Beenders and Cohen last year.) Luisetti, the smiling one-hand shot wizard from San Francisco's North Beach, was a super-DiMaggio of the courts, and Clair's own LIU team was just a warmup for him en route to a 50 point night at Duquesne. He's the one "must," the Joe Louis, the Babe Ruth.

I'm glad to see that Clair put Kinsbrunner in there. Mac was my idea of a wonder right from the days I watched him with open mouth at New Utrecht High in Brooklyn, through his St. John's "Wonder Team" days, and his Lefty-Grove like long life with the professional Jewels. An astounding individual dribbler and high scorer in high school. Mac showed his true greatness at St. John's by co-ordinating his talents with the rest of the team and becoming known for teamwork in addition to dribbling and shooting.

There couldn't be a Clair Bee All-Time team without Irv Torgoff. Clair was literally rapturous about all the round qualities of the big, quiet Brownsville boy who led the great undefeated team of '29, still my idea of the greatest college team of all. Torg could do absolutely everything out there, do it for 40 full minutes and take charge of things on the floor while doing it. He was a second coach.

Fortenberry was that strange phenomenon, a graceful, fluent, 6 foot 9 giant. His debut in the Garden brought astonished roars as he leaped high and actually dropped the ball DOWN into the basket on the inadequately named "layup."

But what the hell's going on here. This is the baseball season.

DAILY WORKER SPORTS

NEW YORK, WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 1941

ROUND UP:

Williams Tops; Novikoff Hits Some; 1C4a's

And Other Topics in the Sports World, Including Soose

DIAMOND GRIST: With a splendid 404 average, Ted Williams, one of the greatest hitters in the game, has climbed to the top of the batting averages... The lanky lad isn't swinging from the heels as much as he used to, and consequently is racking up more hits... He rose to his present dizzy circles without much fanfare... Another Boston player, Manager Joe Cronin, is right behind Williams... But the Sox, with no pitching (still?) are having a tough time hanging on to fourth place.

COMEBACK OF THE WEEK: Lou Novikoff's... With the pressure off, the Cubs' big rookie is beginning to bust those homers... Two homers in two days for Lou... And it looks as though Dave Perrell's raves over Lou weren't so out of place, after all... Novikoff's three-run circuit clout Tuesday however, didn't stop the Cards from taking their seventh straight, 12-11 in an eleven-inning duel with the Cubs... The Cards are winning even with two of their prize rookies, catcher Walker Cooper and second sacker Creepy Crespi, out with injuries...

JEFF HEATH (51 hits, nine homers) is certainly enjoying a grand year now that Manager Oscar Vitt no longer is around... Heath was one of the Indians' big leaders in the famous rebellion.

BOGROW AMONG FAVORITES Track fans are anticipating a memorable ICAA 440-yard race in the finals Saturday at Triborough Stadium.

The trio of favorites consists of Harold Bogrow, NYU; John Campbell, Fordham; and Alfred Diebolt, Colgate. Johnny Quigley, young Manhattan speedster, is given a chance to edge into the picture.

Bogrow has the fastest clocking of the entrants—48.2 seconds. The anti-Jim Crow NYU captain split a pair of decisions with Campbell this season, so this will be the rubber match for the two. George Hagans, NYU co-captain with Bogrow (and Jim Crowed from the Catholic U) meet, will be among the 440-yard contestants.

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Louis Starts His Training for Conn

Won't Work Hard for June 18th Bout Till Next Week—Conn Shows Better Punch in K.O.ing Knox—Baer Returns in Fall

By Bill Newton

Joe Louis will be at his Speculator, N. Y. camp today to begin training for his June 18 bout with Billy Conn—but for a week the Bomber will engage in only the lightest of workouts.

Fresh from his sensational match with Buddy Baer Friday night, the champions will rest for a while and give his cut eye a chance to heal. He doesn't want to pile, another session of training right on top of the Baer bout, Joe, remember, has been clipping along at the phenomenal pace, for a heavyweight ruler, of a bout a month.

Conn passed his test for the Louis shot by kayaking Buddy Knox in eight rounds Monday night. There was some doubt that Billy would be given the opportunity unless he impressed against Knox. Although Conn was far from a Louis in disposing of his 190-pound opponent, he did show an improved punch and his usual lightning boxing ability. Billy weighed ten pounds less than his hand-picked foe, but even so scaled five pounds more than he usually does.

With Billy suddenly developing into a "kayo artist" in Pittsburgh (actually he possesses a good left to the body and a cutting right hand punch) Buddy Baer, who has now been in the ring with the champ, will be back to wait until October to get a return bout with the champ.

The junior Baer has been pressing his "claim" to the title at hearings of the Washington Boxing Commission through Ancil Hoffman, his manager. Hoffman's been asserting, of course, that Louis illegally kayoed Baer after the sixth round belt. Washington boxing chiefs have indicated that they're not lending too much weight to Hoffman's protests. But it all provides a good story—and Mike Jacobs undoubtedly will take advantage of the publicity to stage a return of the sensational go some time after Louis has finished his remaining summer program of bouts with Conn, Abe Simon and Lou Nova.

Isn't Louis campaigning, by the way, one of the most remarkable evidences of his position as greatest heavyweight of all time? Even a Dempsey or Jeffries never fought more than one or two bouts a year with foes as tough as Louis has been meeting, and will face, about once a month. Baer... Conn... Nova... they're sturdy citizens, and Joe has not been willing to give them all a chance, but has shown no hesitation in offering return matches to such tough opponents as Buddy.

And they tell you the champion is slipping!

SOOSE-OVERLIN IN RETURN

Billy Soose will soon go at it again with Ken Overlin. Soose is said to be eager to show that the recent sour decision he earned over Ken, in which he took the middleweight crown is not indicative of his real ability. The fight is not likely to again place in New York, however.

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Casey Blanks Phils 6-0 For Dodgers 4th Straight

MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	W	L	GB
*St. Louis	27	9	—
BROOKLYN	26	12	2
*NEW YORK	18	14	7
*Chicago	16	18	10
Cincinnati	17	20	10 1/2
Pittsburgh	12	28	12
*Boston	12	20	13
Philadelphia	10	15	16 1/2

* Not including night game.

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	W	L	GB
Cleveland	28	14	—
Chicago	21	15	4
NEW YORK	21	18	5 1/2
Detroit	20	19	6 1/2
Boston	17	17	7
Philadelphia	11	26	8
Washington	14	25	12 1/2
St. Louis	13	23	12 1/2

GAMES TODAY
Boston at New York (night)
Brooklyn at Phils. (night)
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati
Chicago at St. Louis

SCORES

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
BROOKLYN	102	000	6-8 0
Philadelphia	000	000	0-7 1

Casey and Phelps; Podgajny, Grissom (6) and Warren, Livingston (8).

Boston at New York—night game.

Chicago at St. Louis—night game.

Only games scheduled.

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
NEW YORK	101	010	10-18 2
Washington	001	005	200-5 12 3

Ruffing, Murphy (6), Chandler (7) and Rosar; Chase, Anderson (2), Carrasquel (6), Zuber (7), Masterson (9) and Early.

Chicago at St. Louis—night game.

Only games scheduled.

LEADERS

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
Player	Clubs	G	A
Williams, Boston	...	29	30
O'Brien, Boston	...	31	14
Cullenbine, St. Louis	...	30	14
Travis, Washington	...	34	13
Dickey, New York	...	27	14

HOME RUNS
O'Brien, Boston... 18
Yankee, Yankees... 16
Jammil, Dodgers... 14
Mize, St. Louis... 13
Travis, Washington... 12
Nicholson, Cubs... 9

RUNS BATTED IN
Keller, Yankees... 37
Yankee, Yankees... 34
Nicholson, Cubs... 31
O'Brien, Boston... 29
Gordon, Yankees... 27
Travis, Senators... 21
Hayes, Phils... 21

DETROIT... 111 010 500-9 12 0
Cleveland... 110 002 200-4 10 1
Rowe, Gordis (7) and Tebbetts; Milnar, Brown (7), Elsenstat (8) and Hemsley.

St. Louis... 003 002 000-5 11 0
Chicago... 010 000 010-2 6 3
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Hugh Wins 6th as Camilli, Medwick K.O. Podgajny with Extra Base Socks—8 Out of 8 with Phils

With Hugh Casey providing the best hurling job the Dodgers have received in their last ten games, and the feeble Phillies playing dead for the fourth straight time, our Brooklynites had no trouble in winning 6-0 yesterday in what is for them the well-named City of Brotherly Love.

Casey gave up just six hits as he easily set down the Phils. His downer was in fine shape, and the Phillies were banging it into the ground all day.

While Hugh was mowing his sixth win, against one setback, his mates teed off on young Johnny Podgajny for all their runs. They scored once in the first, twice in the third, and enjoyed a three-run outburst in the fifth that saw Podgajny depart in favor of Lee Grissom.

The former Dodger hurler turned in a good relief job, but his mates couldn't help him out at the plate.

HERMAN DOUBLES
After counting once in the first, the Dodgers added a pair in the third on Reese's single to center, Herman's hit-and-run double through shortstop, scoring Reese, and Bragan's error on Reese's bouncer, which permitted Herman to dent home plate.

Babe Phelps, injected into the Brooklyn lineup to add the attack, started operations in the three-run fifth by driving a single. Camilli's double to right and Lavagetto's fly scored the Rimp. A long triple to left by Ducky Medwick chased home Dolf, and chased out Podgajny.

Joe Vosmik came in to bat for Dixie Walker against Lefty Grissom, and bounced out, scoring Medwick with the final tally.

A Reese-to-Herman-to-Camilli double play in the eighth helped Casey... Having walloped the Phils eight out of eight this season by daylight, the Dodgers will see if they can do as well under the lights tonight... It will be their first nocturnal venture of 1941.

LEADERS
AMERICAN LEAGUE
Player Clubs G A R H Pct.
Williams, Boston... 29 30 21 42 494
O'Brien, Boston... 31 14 26 44 384
Cullenbine, St. Louis... 30 14 26 44 384
Travis, Washington... 34 13 26 43 381
Dickey, New York... 27 14 12 39 373

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Player Clubs G A R H Pct.
Hacker, Chicago... 34 12 21 44 361
Slaughter, St. Louis... 34 12 21 44 361
Mize, St. Louis... 30 14 26 44 384
Vaughan, Pittsburgh... 34 13 26 43 381
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Campbell Beats Indians With 2

Bruce Campbell clouted a pair of homers to help the Tigers rout Al Milnar and beat the Cleveland Indians 9-6.

Schoolboy Rowe helped his own cause with a homer and single.

Rookie Bob Munier beat the White Sox for the Browns, 5-3 with the losing runs coming on homers by Wright and Apppling. Cullenbine and Grace hit for the circuit for St. Louis.

Don DiMaggio collected a triple, double, single and walk and Ted Williams a homer as the Red Sox beat the A's in the first game of a doubleheader 5-2, but in the second Phil Marchildon, Toronto recruit fanned the Sox as the A's won 10-1.

DODGERS vs. CARDS

We begin today a position by position comparison of the Brooklyn Dodgers and St. Louis Cards, foremost contenders for the National League pennant. Cincinnati papers don't copy.

CAMILLI **IB** **MIZE**

Dolph Camilli, Dodger first baseman, was 33 years old this April but shows no particular signs of slowing up. He hits a consistent level at bat and at field, hitting around 20 points beneath 300 but driving in approximately 100 runs. Apt to strike out in the clutch fairly often, but always likely to prod a long one that turns the game inside out. Doesn't rate with the mighty Mize at bat, but neither does anyone else in the National League. In the field is definitely much superior to his Cardinal foe. Was the slickest first sacker in the league till the Braves got Babe Dahlgren from the Yanks this year, and you'll get an argument on that ranking from Ebbets Field fans. Has a fine, long stretch and is unusually deft with his gloved hand.

MIZE GETS THE DECISION

Johnny Mize, Card first baseman, was 31 in January. He's the powerhouse of the St. Louis team, a tremendous slugger who led the league in runs batted in last year and is a constant threat up there when he wheels his 6 foot 2, 218 pounds of bone and muscle into action. Like Camilli bats left handed but throws right. Has improved a little in fielding, but still is hardly a finished first sacker. He's not too bad there, however. His terrific clouting gives him a clear edge over Camilli, even considering Dolph's big fielding edge. He'll hit 30 or more points higher in the averages and is much less likely to stop a rally by striking out. Like Dolph, Mize is a durable 354-game performer.

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